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Prominent Visitors Put Spotlight on Africa

Clinton to Hail Steady Progress Of Continent

By Howard W. French New York Times Service

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ABUJA, Nigeria - On Suoday. when President Bill Clinton begins the longest foreign trip of his presideocy, a 12-day visit to sub-Saharan Africa, he will be touring a regioo very different from the one last traveled by an American presideot wheo Jimmy Carter

came to this country 20 years ago.
Back then, Nigeria, Africa's most populous country, was one of the few to have experimented with democratic politics. There was no hint of an end to apartheid in South Africa. And politically, Africa was distinguished mostly by dictatorial rule and economic disaster.

Today, military-ruled Nigeria, where Mr. Clintoo is pointedly not stopping but where the Pope began a visit Saturday, stands out as one of a dwindling oumber of countries whose leaders were not elected. The antiapartheid hero Nelson Mandela is completing his term as president of South Africa's oew oonracial democracy.

And in place of the ruin that was prevalent throughout Africa as recently as a decade ago, reforms have bolstered a continentwide economic expansion to an estimated 4 percent annual growth this year, according to the International Monetary Fund. Thus, for the first time, Africa's growth rate has been lifted above its

rate of populatioo increase. Mr. Clinton's trip will take him to six States has changed as well.



TENSE VISIT - Soldiers standing in front of a poster of Pope Joho Paul II and Father Cyprian Michael Iwene Tansi, a Nigerian priest who was beatified by the pootiff during a Mass in Onitsha on Sunday. At the Mass, John Paul made a powerful plea for the country's military regime to loosen its grip. Page 2.

countries - from Ghana and Ugapda to Rwanda, South Africa, Botswana and Senegal. In his planned series of upbeat speeches and public appearances, he will be emphasizing the positive changes that have recently swept Africa.

One clear aim will be to persuade an American audience with few ootions of the continent that Africa not only exists but matters. But to his bosts, as well as to the public back home, Mr. Clinton will also be emphasizing a point just as important as the positive changes: Where Africa is concerned, the United

Through a receut series of African visits by other senior administration figures — Vice President Al Gore, two secretaries of state and Hillary Rodham Clintoo - the president's themes for this trip have been gestating, going

through public anditions all the while Rhetorically the expected watchwords — munual respect, shared eco-nomic interests and deep veins of com-mon history — all mark a substantial, even dramatic, break with a past in which Africa was rarely treated seriously by the world's most powerful nation. Africans have often complained that

when their cootinent was dealt with at all, it was as a sideshow in America's Cold War competition, or as a humanitarian response to disaster.

"Clinton's visit is dealing mostly in symbols, hut symbolism is sometimes very important," said Donald McHenry, who was the U.S. representative to the United Nations during the Carter administration. "The focus that President Clintoo brings to this trip will be critical in terms of bringing the problems and progress of Africa into

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3 Big Oil Producers **Agree to Cut Supply**

Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Mexico See Urgent Need for Higher Prices

> By Brian Knowlton International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON - Three of the world's biggest oil producers agreed Sunday to reduce output to shore up prices. Analysts said the move was likely to increase crude-oil prices sharply Mon-day but warned that it also could lead to a new decline if the agreement fell apart. After two days of secret meetings in

Riyadh, the oil ministers of Saudi Arabia, Venezuela and Mexico said they would lower production beginning April I as part of an overall agreement aimed at cutting production by 1.6 millioo to 2 millioo barrels a day. At the high end, that would represent 2.7 percent of curreot global production.

The three ministers, citing an "immediate used" to reduce oil supplies to raise prices, said they would coordinate their efforts with other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Couotries as well as with non-OPEC

Saudi Arahia and Venezuela are the two largest oil exporters in OPEC. Mexico is oot an OPEC member.

\$12 a barrel last week, their lowest level in 10 years even without adjusting for inflation, before rising slightly on oews that Venezuela would attend the emergency meeting.

The announcement Sunday, bowever, is oot certain to reverse the Sunday, trend in oil prices, which have fallen 40 percent since October. Prices have been hurt by sagging demand from finan-cially troubled Asian countries, a mild Northern Hemisphere winter, excess production and an expectation that Iraq will eventually increase its oil sales.

The price drop, which has brought inflation-adjusted gasoline prices in the United States to historic lows, has been credited with helping offset the impact of the Asian crisis and permitting continued strong economic growth with low inflation. While prices seem certain to rise sharply when markets open Monday, it is not clear, analysts said, that the producer

countries will hold to their new targets. One reason for the price drop has been Saudi distrust of Venezuela, which exceeded OPEC targets set in November, A new breach in the producers' temporarily solid front could lead to even lower prices - perhaps below \$10 per barrel, some

analysts said. OPEC's production in February exceeded its official ceiling of 27.5 million barrels a day by more than 1 million barrels, according to independent estimates. Most of the excess came from Venezuela, but Nigeria and Qatar also exceeded quotas.

The three producers that took part in the Riyadh meeting said higher prices were oeeded to bring stability to world oil markets. Prices that are too low, they said, could lead to sharp cuts in spending on oil exploration, and that could be "dangerously damaging for world eco-oomic stability in the medium term."

The eventual outcome of the production tug-of-war could resound loudly through the world's economies. Cheaper oil increases consumers' spendable incomes, raises corporate

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Boom Times Later on Sunday, Kuwait said it would cut output by 125,000 barrels a day, and Algeria said it would cut back by 50,000 barrels a day. A move to cut production had been A move to cut production had been A move to cut production had been anticipated. Oil prices fell to less than **Prove a Bust** For New Jobs

By Edmund L. Andrews New York Times Service

FRANKFURT -- It would be hard to find a more vivid example of the revival of German industry than Porsche AG. Six years after the recowned sports-car maker came close to bankruptcy, sales and profits are booming, and its snappy oew two-seater, the Boxster, is a hit.

But that is cold comfort for its workers. Having stretched its plants to their limit, Porsche has vowed to build no more assembly plants and to farm out work to subcootractors.

In a first for Porsche, it hired a Finnish company in September to huild some Boxsters. Though the move did oot save Porsche much in costs, it freed the company from the expense of huilding a factory, hiring workers and laying them off if sales spattered.

Porsche is merely one example of the most striking ecocomic feature in Germany and much of Europe: growth without jobs.

Europe is seeing its best economic growth in years, but employers are oot hiring many people. After years of lay-offs and cost-cutting, unemployment remains at record rates — 11.6 percent in Germany and more than 10 percent across the European Union. Though there are signs that the problem has peaked, few expect the rate to drop to single digits before late 1999, if then.

More and more, economists say, Europe's economies are growing without creating many jobs. Reasons vary from country to country, but high labor costs — fringe benefits, pleotiful holiday and vacation time, rigid work rules - and high payroll taxes discourage companies from adding permanent workers. The main exceptions are Bri-tain, Ireland and the Netherlands, which have more liberal work rules and lower taxes than most of their neigh-

The high labor costs are pushing companies to invest far from home. Last year, German companies inves-

ted \$25 billion in other countries - 10 times as much as foreign companies invested in Germany, the biggest such investment gap ever.

The political implications are poten-

tially explosive. Unemployed workers have staged loud protests across France and Germany. Anger about joblessness in France was central to the election victory last year of the Socialist Party, and it is a

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Kennedys Buy at Sale Local Elections Give Kohl Challenger a New Boost

By William Drozdiak

BERLIN - Germany's opposition Social Democrats scored impressive designation of Schleswig-Holstein, bolstering their hopes of ousting Chancellor Helmut Kohl in this September's national vote.

the X The Social Democratic victory reaf-Schroeder, who was chosen as Mr. -most Kohl's challenger after leading his party to a resounding victory in his home state in the vote also showed a sharp drop in - support for the Greens party, which hopes to enter national government this fall in coalition with the Social Democrats.

Early returns showed that the Social Democrats had improved their standing as the state's leading party by winning 42.5 percent of the votes, a gain of 3 percentage points over the last elections in 1994. Mr. Kohl's Christian Democrats scored about 39 perceot, up about

The Greens, who share power with the Social Democrats in five of Germany's 16 states, suffered a steep decline, falling to 7 percent after winning

The Free Democrats, the junior partner in Mr. Kohl's governing coalition, held steady at about 4.5 percent.

A series of radical resolutions passed at a recent party congress damaged efforts by Greens leaders to project a mature and moderate image. The congress voted to raise the price of gasoline to nearly \$12 a gallon by raising taxes at the pump to pay for social security. They also voted to abolish the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

After four successive defeats at the national level. Social Democrats believe that Mr. Schroeder's pragmatic image and telegenic appearance can carry them back to power after 16 years in the political wilderness. Party leaders said the Schleswig-Holstein vote, the second of seven elections at national, state and local levels this year, demonstrated their growing momentum at the polls.

"It is a very, very good result for us," said Heide Simonis, the state premier and a prominent figure in the Social Democratic hierarchy. "It shows that the people want a change in Bonn."

The Christian Democrats, who dominated the rural state on the Danish border for nearly 40 years before surrendering control to the Social Democrats a decade

more than 10 percent four years ago. ago, sought to depict the Schleswig-Hol- lieutenants, has repeatedly rejected such stein election as a purely local affair and dismissed the notion that it was a referendum on Mr. Kohl's leadership.

But the mediocre showing by Mr. Kohl's party seemed likely to escalate calls for the 67-year-old chancellor to step down in favor of Wolfgang · Schaeuble, the Christian Democratic parliamentary leader who is Mr. Kohl's anointed beir. The former party chairman Rainer

Barzel insisted that Christian Democrats should be polled to determine whether Mr. Kohl was still the best candidate to carry the party hanner into the September national election.

"People in the coalition are very insecure at the moment," Mr. Barzel said. The chancellor should ask for a vote of confidence at this point. It could show leadership and confidence."

Other prominent Christian Democrats suggested that Mr. Kohl's long tenure as chancellor was becoming a serious liability among many German voters who yearn for fresh leadership. They urged him to declare his willingness to pass the reins of power to Mr. Schaeuble oo later than the year 2000.

Bot Mr. Schaeuble, who for years has toiled as one of Mr. Kohl's most loyal

still believed Mr. Kohl would serve out an unprecedented fifth term as chancellor. If he remains head of government until 2002, Mr. Kohl would break Otto von Bismarck's record as Germany's longest-serving leader.

Tyll Necker, vice president of the German association of industry, said that Mr. Schaeuble should campaign along-side Mr. Kohl, and that Mr. Kohl should announce he would retire by 2000. "The CDU should start the oew millennium with a new leader," Reuters quoted Mr. Necker as saying on MDR radio.

overtures, and he said Sunday that be

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U.S. Shuns a Rift With Allies on Iran

The United States is seeking to avoid imposing sanctions on European, Canadian, Russian and Asian energy companies that invest in Iran, senior U.S. officials say. President Bill Clinton is putting off a decision on such measures, called for by the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act of 1996, to try to avoid an open confrontation with European allies and Russia. Page 11.

Haste on U.S. Arms

An independent panel has warned that Pentagon efforts to speed antimissile weapons into operation are marred by poor planning, insufficient testing and political pressure to hasten the defensive systems. Page 6.

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the UN disarmament chief, arriving Sunday in Iraq, where he plans rapid-fire inspections of previously off-limits sites. Page 2.

As U.S. Gloats, Lessons From Japan

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

TOKYO - Judging from today's economic landscape, it must have been a few million years ago a Japanese mem-ber of Parliament named Shintaro Ishihara, offered a few pointers for the

There is no hope for the U.S.," Mr. Ishihara said. He added, 'Right now, the modern civilization built by whites is coming close to its practical end." Bot that was less than a decade ago, in 1989, and although Mr. Ishihara was unusually racial in his analysis, the no-

amsually useful in his analysis, the notion that Japan was on the rise and America on the decline was then wide-spread. In one formulation that was widely regarded, a scholar, Chalmers Johnson, declared; "The Cold War is over, and Japan won."

That conveniently wisdom has now That conventional wisdom has now been timed upside down, and the United States looks particularly grand after Asian economies toppled like dominoes. But if one message from Asia's crisis is the tremendous resi-

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lience of the American markets, another is the danger of hubris.

In the case of Japan in the 1980s and Sootheast Asia just a year ago, ex-cessive self-confidence led to over-

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priced stock markets and to overextended corporations. In Asia these days, some see a milder echo of that in Amer-

ica today. 'Americans are patting themselves on the back and congramlating themselves on all the wonderful things that and I can understand that, but I think ooe should step back," said Gleo Fukushima, president of the American Chamber of Commerce in Japan. 'It wouldn't surprise me if 10 years from now, or even five years from now, we see the U.S. having some economic troobles and Japan recover-

One of the lessons of the misjndgments of the 1980s may be how prooe even experts are to expect dynamos to remain dynamos simply because they have been dynamos. A result is that

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are happening in the United States, What America Inc. Means to Moms and Dads and Boys and Girls

Help Needed! Equality at Work, but Not at Home

By Richard Morin and Megan Rosenfeld Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Meo and women have declared a cease-fire in the war that raged between the sexes through much of the last half of this century. In its place, they face commoo new enemies — the stress, lack of time and financial pressure of modern life.

A new national survey has found that after oearly a generation of sharing the workplace and renegotiating domestic doties, most men and womeo agree that increased gender equity has enriched both sexes. But both also believe that the strains of this relatively oew world have made building successful marriages, raising children and leading satisfying lives ever more

The problem that now unites them, as James Lindow, 35, a warehouse operations manager in

Green Bay, Wisconsin, put it, is "the lack of time you spend with your life."

Large majorities of more than 4,000 men and women questioned in surveys last fall placed high importance oo having a successful marriage and family. At the same time, equally large majorities of working men and women said they felt bad about leaving their children in the care of others, and wished they could devote more time to their

families and themselves. Surprisingly, although men and women agreed they should have equal work opportunities, and men said they approved of women working outside the home, majorities of both said it would be better if women could instead stay home to take

care of the house and children. Majorities of men and womeo believe there still are more advantages to being a man rather

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Help Wanted! Recruiters Coax Vacationing Students

By Steven Ginsberg Washington Post Service

DAYTONA BEACH, Florida - More than 200,000 college students have again descended oo this spring break mecca in search of sun, surf and, of course, each other. Bot no matter how they fare with the opposite sex, they have already seduced another set of visitors: corporate recruiters.

Confronted with a tight labor market and a severe

shortage of skilled workers, corporations are resorting to drastic measures. Forty-five came here, moved into a hotel on the beach and tried to here bikini-clad beach-goers into job booths, even paying the college students \$5 each if they would stop partying long

enough to talk to a potential employer.
"This is another bizarre indication of bow tight the labor market really is," said John Challenger, president of Challenger; Gray & Christmas, a career consulting firm in Chicago. "I mean, who

wants to go see a bunch of drunken kids who are having the time of their life?"

Employers do, apparently. "We expect that," said Edward Kang, manager of college relations for International Business Machines Corp., who added that he was up most of the night thanks to two false fire alarms and the activation of his hotel's sprinklers. "It's fine; they're here to have

IBM has 3,000 unfilled slots. "We're just trying to find some good people," Mr. Kang said. "We doo't expect to get a bunch of hires, but it's getting to the point where we'll try anything."

This is the fourth year for the job fair, but organizers said that this year the turnout hy major

companies is up 25 percent. Among those making their first trip, and vaulting this onetime local event into a national attraction, are Electronic

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Silent Hotels / Building Boom Goes Bust

5-Star Luxury at Bargain Prices

By Thomas Fuller ational Herald Tribune

URABAJA, Indonesia --- Welcome to the executive suite at the five-star Hotel Majapahit, a celebration of marble, Oriental rugs and gold plate.

The taps in the bathroom are 18-karat, and the concessions to the modern world — the big-screen television set and minibar - are tucked away in handsome mahogany cabinets.

Outside the suite is a small porch

overlooking a manicured lawn, trees and a bubbling fountain.

The price of the room, including a lavish breakfast: \$30.

Surabaja, Indonesia's second-largest city, is filled with similar bargains. A cab ride in a new Mazda sedan costs 17 cents. Dinner for two at a high-end Chinese restaurant is \$4.

Cheap luxury has become common across Sootheast Asia these days. And it's particularly noticeable in the hotel industry, the result of a building spree that has collided with the most serious

economic crisis in decades. Room rates at top hotels have dropped in Bangkok, Kuala Lumpur and Jakarta, as well as in the region's best-known vacatioo spots.

"Go to Bali right now, and you'll pick op amazing deals," said Martin Rinck, general manager of the Majapahit.
Nowhere are rock-bottom five-star

rates more evident than in Surabaja's top-of-the line hotels. Opulent products of the boom years, the hotels have seen their occupancy rates plummet along with the value of Indonesia's currency, the rupiah. Both the Hyatt and Sheratoo advertise rooms for \$30.

With so few guests around, the only sounds ontside the rooms at the Ma-japahit are the hirds and the water slapping against the stone fountains. Few teps are heard in the arcades that ring the gardens. In the whirlpool, often the only other pair of eyes belongs to a huge lion-head fountain.

"It's a great place for meditation now," Mr. Rinck said.

Surabaja's five-star hotels are engaged in a fierce price war, offering

since early January rooms at fixed rupiah rates, a boon to the relatively few dollar-holding tourists and foreign businessmen visiting the city.
"I can probably guarantee that there is no five-star hotel making a profit right

now in Surabaja," Mr. Rinck said. In 1996, expecting a surge in demand for rooms, three international chains opened hotels in the city. The number of

five-star hotel rooms surged by 200 percent that year, but room demand was up just 2 percent.
"You didn't have to be a rocket

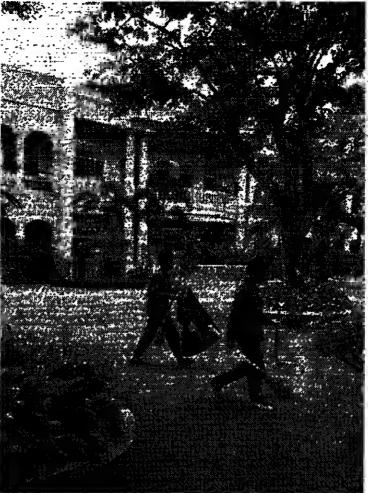
scientist to figure out that room rates would drop," Mr. Rinck said. The story of the Majapahit illustrates the heady, boom-years rush to open five-star properties. Part of the Man-darin Oriental chain, the Majapahit was purchased and lavishly renovated at the height of the investment boom for \$51 millioo — or \$340,000 a room — by Harry Susilo, a prominent ethnic Chinese businessman in Indonesia.

HE RENOVATION came as Surabaja seemed on the way to joining the ranks of East Asia's business capitals. Countries were opening consulates here, and airlines stepped up service between Surabaja and Hong Kong, Bangkok and

Bot now, tourism has dropped off so much that Mr. Rinck predicts room rates will fall even more. At his hotel, 90 percent of this year's tour bookings have been canceled, and occopancy is just 18 percent.
For the handful of guests in the hotel,

that means pampering. There have been no layoffs, so on an average there are about 10 employees for every guest. The number of foreign visitors to Surabaja will rebound, Mr. Rinck says, and many of them will be shopping for

more than just local handicrafts. "My theory right now is that a lot of properties will change hands," he said. There's going to be a lot of foreign capital coming in. And Surabaya will rebound. When the crisis is finished, it will still be Indonesia's second-largest



Nowadays, employees far outnumber guests at the luxurious Hotel Majapahit in Surabaja, Indonesia.

UN Team Plans Rapid-Fire Inspections in Iraq

By Barbara Crossette New York Times Service

UNITED NATIONS, New York -As Iraq and the United Nations position themselves for a critical test of the agreement that averted an American military attack in February, the head of the commission disarming Iraq says that he plans rapid-fire inspections of previously offlimits presidential properties to determine what buildings will get spot in-spections later — with much less notice.

'If any conception is held that this will be one-off, that is oot correct," said Richard Butler, chief of the UN Special Commission, or Unscom, in an inter-

The inspections, a result of the agreement reached between the secretary-general of the UN, Kofi Annan, and President Saddam Hussein, are expec-

ted to begin by the end of this month. Mr. Butler, who arrived in Baghdad oo Sunday, was referring to speculation among diplomats that once UN inspectors have visited the eight presidential sites, accompanied at Iraq's insistence

By Michael Specter New York Times Service

MOSCOW - Galina Ulanova, 88,

whose uncanny blend of unahashed

emotionalism and lyrical restraint made

her one of the greatest dancers of the

Revered in Russia from the moment

she made her dehut at Leningrad's

Maryinsky Ballet in 1928, she riveted

the Western world in 1956 when she

traveled with the Bolshoi Ballet to Lon-

don's Royal Opera House. There she astonished critics and fans alike with her

Inspired by Prokofiev's score to

performances as Juliet and Giselle.

20th century, died here Saturday.

closer to a lifting of sanctions.
[On Sunday, Mr. Butler said he could sense "a new spirit and good cooper-ation from the Iraqi side," The As-sociated Press reported from Baghdad. Mr. Butler was to meet with Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz on Monday. Other details of his visit have not been

made public.] To underline his point that this is only the beginning of this part of the process of ferreting out all prohibited weapons systems, Mr. Butler said he intended to put one of his highest-ranking inspectors in charge of the initial visits to the eight presidential sites. They are scattered across Iraq, from Mosul, in the north near Turkey, to Basra, on the Gulf.

The inspections will take place against a background of Iraqi confidence that a new system ootlined in the agreement with Mr. Annan will be the key to a quick ending of sanctions imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990.

'But only if they keep their cool," a senior official said here.

Some officials say they believe a new confrontation with Iraq is inevitable.

Miss Ulanova's dancing, and that of the Bolshoi, helped make the case after

Stalin's death that Russian classical bal-

the majesty of Miss Ulanova's role as

Juliet, American critics found them-

selves astounded. "To see a legend as-

sume the dimensions of reality before us," John Martin of The New York

Times wrote about her dancing in "Romeo and Juliet," "and in the pro-

cess lose nothing of the quality of legend,

Russian ballet fans were able to enjoy

It was, however, an experience that

is a rare and wonderful experience."

Even with the advance publicity about

let remained the finest in the world.

Galina Ulanova, Transcendent Ballerina, Dies

flag patches sewn on their clothes. The inspectors will go armed with a oew set of reports showing in detail how far the Iraqis are from accounting for

biological and chemical weapons as well as missile warheads that could be used to deliver them. The reports were requested in Jann-

ary by Iraq, which apparently thought that independent teams of experts not drawn from Mr. Butler's commission would look more favorably oo Iraq's assertions that it was no longer harboring weapons of mass destruction or the means and material to make them.

The teams studying chemical weapons and warheads met in Iraq in February; the biological team is meeting now in Vienna and will report within the next few weeks. There are also outstanding questions about onclear is-

The reports of the first two teams reveal the gap between Iraqi perceptions of where Baghdad stands in the disarmament process and what the experts

that this phase of the arms investigation to the Iraqis. They will be asked not to ment — and possibly the chemical comis over and that the country can move display any national symbols, such as ponents — "to manufacture as much as

gends of Russian dance. She was taught there by her mother -- who also danced

professionally - before entering the

famous hallet school there. She joined the Maryinsky Theater in 1928, the

same year she completed her classical

dance training.
In 1944, Miss Ulanova was trans-

ferred — reportedly at Stalin's request — to the Bolshoi in Moscow, where she

danced until 1960. For most of that time

she was the company's and the Soviet

that can cause, Miss Ulanova was highly

popular, eventually becoming a teacher

to the great dancers who followed her -

including Yekaterina Maksimova, Nina

Timofeyeva and the current Bolshoi di-

Despite her star status and the tension

200 tons of VX," an extremely lethal chemical agent.

'To fully verify the extent of Iraq's VX program, Unscom needs to receive the production records and R&D reports, including munitions trials, for the entire period of VX activities," the team

The group looking at the documents oo special warheads found confused accounting, and indications that some warheads oever declared were destroyed and buried in at least one site not listed by Iraq in any of its many "full, final and complete" disclosures.

"The team recommended that a specialized inspection team be scheduled to address all issues of warhead design and testing with Iraq's experts," the report said. "The team has not found the level of verification achieved so far to be satisfactory. Further work is required."

In an official reply, the Iraqi minister of oil and head of Baghdad's delegation, Amir Mohammed Rasheed, asked the expens oot to get bogged down in "technical details" but to focus instead-The chemical experts decided that oo "the agony of the Iraqi people" suitering under sanctions that crippled the Iraqi economy.

The new chapter in Iraq opens with Russia playing a major role in formulating UN policy. Senator John Warner, Republican of Virginia, who met with Mr. Butler last week in the company of more than 60 other senators, said in an interview that Foreign Minister Yevgeni Primakov of Russia appeared to be the principal author, working with France, of the plan Mr. Annan brought back from Baghdad.

John Bolton, assistant U.S. secretary of state for international organizations affairs in the Bush administration when the sanctions were imposed on Iraq in 1990 and the disarmament process begun in 1991, agrees with Mr. Warner that Russia and France are now guiding international policy in the area. Both countries have significant commercial

interests in Iraq.
Mr. Bolton, who is now senior vice resident of the American Enterprise Institute, and Mr. Warner single out the role of Mr. Primakov, who became foreign minister of Russia two years ago.

New Year's Wishes From U.S. to Iran

Clinton sent a message to Tchran to mark the start of the Iranian new year, the official Iranian press

agency reported.
"President Clinton, for the first time, sent a greeting message for the Iranian nation to welcome the Iranian new year," IRNA said late Saturday.

The agency gave no other de-tails. It did not say how the message had been sent or quote its con-

President Mohammed Khatami's office told The Associated Press on Sunday it had not received any message from Mr. Clinton.

Unlike several other countries in the Middle East, Iran and some of its neighbors follow the traditional Persian calendar, which begins on the first day of spring. The Iranian year 1377 began Friday.

Iran has toned down its anti-American rhetoric since Mr. over as president last August.

He has called for cultural exchanges with Americans as a way of resolving oearly two decades of hostility that began after Iranians ousted the U.S.-backed shah in the 1979 revolution.

The White House cites three obstacles to better relations: Iran's alleged support for international terrorism, its opposition to the Middle East peace process and its alleged programs to develop ouclear, chemical and hiological weapons.

Washingtoo broke off ties with Iran after militants stormed the U.S. Embassy in Tehran in 1979 and held 52 Americans hostage for 444 days.

Both men had seen Mr. Primakov dominate policy on Iraq even before the collapse of the Soviet Union.

Mr. Warner calls him "the second coming of Gromyko," a comparison. with Andrei Gromyko, the hard-line Sovict foreign minister.

WEATHER

Starting before dawn, hundreds of thousands of people — on font, on mo-torbikes or crammed into huses — con-verged on the Mass site, the Oba airfield on the outskirts of Onitsha. the Pope and urged him to help free their country from the shackles of a military

The Associated Press

"My prayers are that he will hring us peace," said Ugwuanyi Evenin, 23, who walked at least 16 kilometers (10 TEHRAN - President Bill miles) with her father to see the Pope. "This is twice he comes to Nigeria. That

means he likes the Nigerian people."

Noting the military junta's promise to hold elections this year, John Paul said "there was oo place" for abuse of power, or arbitrarily excluding individuals or groups from polities.

and stifles opposition.

The promise of free elections has been met by widespread skepticism. The last national elections, in 1993, were voided by the military government and the apparent winner, Moshood Abiola,

Pope Appeals
For Loosening

Military's Grip

The Associated Press

ONITSHA, Nigeria — Braving sweltering heat, Pope John Paul II issued a powerful call Sunday for change in Nigeria, a country in the grip of military rule, telling Nigerians to rid their society of "everything that offends human dignity or violates human rights."

Hundreds of thousands of people

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turned out for the papal Mass in the country's Roman Catholic heartland, a

rare day of celebration for a hard-

pressed people.

The Pope preached from an altar beneath a thatched but that faced a red dustbowl and beatified a priest, Father Cyprian Michael Iwene Tansi.

Since arriving Saturday for a three-day visit, John Paul has surprised some

Nigerians with the directness of his mes-

sage to the military regime that seized power in a 1993 coup. The Pope kept up the pressure in the Mass on Sunday.

All Nigerians must work to rid so-

ciety of everything that offends the dig-nity of the human person or violates human rights," he said. "This means reconciling differences, overcoming

Many of the communicants praised

junta that jails its opposents, kills at will

ethnic rivalries and injecting honesty, efficiency and competence in the art of

Of Nigerian

was jailed and remains in custody. John Pani flew here from Abuja, the capital, his helicopter spreading a swirt of red dust over the well-wishers. The 77year-old Pope walked slowly in the West African heat — temperatures reached around 35 degrees centigrade (100)

Fahrenheit) with 95-percent humidity. He looked tired, but smiled and waved to the crowd.

The crowd sang and danced and punched fists to the air in joyous expectation of hearing words of comfort spiration. The Pope did not dis appoint them, continuing his strong advocacy of human rights.

John Paul set down his agenda upon arriving in Nigeria, first in an address at the airport welcoming ceremony and in a meeting Saturday with General Sani Abacha, the Nigerian leader.
Vatican officials pressed for the release of about 60 prominent Nigerians—

leading political opponents and journalists, hoping the government would show some leniency, as happened in Cuba, where Fidel Castro released 299 prisoners after the pontiff's visit in January. The Pope's second trip to Nigeris' hrings him to a country different from

the land flush with oil revenue that he visited in 1982. Nigeria is mired in crime and tension and faces international scorn over its dismal human rights record.

Mr. Abacha's regime was denounced worldwide in 1995 after the execution of Ken Saro-Wiwa, a dissident author. In the weeks leading up to the pontiff's visit, scores of government opponents and prodemocracy activists were thrown in jail or harassed, Human Rights Watch said.

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Greek Airline Staff Plans Stoppage

TRAVEL UPDATE

ATHENS (Reuters) — Olympic Airways staff will hold a three-hour work stoppage oo Tuesday to protest a recently announced government plan to revitalize the ailing national carrier, union representatives said Sunday.

The strike is a response to management proposals that include a wage freeze, a 45-hour workweek, cutbacks in the oumber of cahin crew and cuts and mergers of flight routes. Greece said last week that it would shut down Olympic Airways unless the company found ways to slash costs by 250 hillion drachmas (\$775 million) over five years.

Smog Threatens Asian Tourism

SINGAPORE (Reuters) — Southeast Asia's \$26 billion tourist industry could be hlighted for years if a choking smog that hlanketed much of the region in 1997 returns on the same scale this year, experts said.

There are developmental losses because the hotel and tour companies can't plan for the medium term," said Tim Jessup of the Jakarta office of the World Wide Fund for Nature. As the dry Iodonesian forest, mainly in East Kalimantan

Province on Borneo, is already being consumed by flames, environmentalists are predicting that the fires could be worse this year. Farmers and logging companies that clear land are hlamed for many of the fires.

This Week's Holidays

Banking and government offices will be closed or services curtailed in the following countries and their dependencies this week because of national and religious holidays:

MONDAY: Albania, Colombia, Pakistan. TUESDAY: Guyana, Nepal. WEDNESDAY: Cyprus, Greece THURSDAY: Bangladesh, Main. FRIDAY: Bahrain, Israel, Burma SATURDAY: Serbia. SUNDAY: Taiwan.

Sources: J.P. Morgan, Bloomberg,

'Titanic' Necklace Is Sold

rector. Vladimir Vasilvev.

Union's chief soloist.

Replica of Movie Jewelry, With Real Gems, Fetches \$2.2 Million, Half for Diana Fund

BEVERLY HILLS, California - A 170-carat sapphire from Sri Lanka, is set in plat-

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The hlack-tie Princess Ball

Oscars ceremony Monday.

A blue oval box painted with the letter "D" and decmorial Fund and Aid for orated with the national flowers of Britain went for \$6,000 to a woman who declined to give her name. Di-The necklace was valued at ana had given the box to Paul \$3.5 million before the auc- Burrell, her butler, as a birthday gift. Mr. Burrell oow

manages the memorial fund. The necklace is called "Le Coeur de la Mer," or "Heart of the Ocean." In "Titanic," accident in Paris. It will help it was just a piece of costume charitable groups supported by jewelry, but it inspired the the princess, including those Asprey London company to that sponsor AIDS research.

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THE AMERICAS

Republican Leader Assails Clinton for Invoking Privilege

WASHINGTON - The Senate majority leader said Sunday that President Bill Clinton had made a mistake by invoking "executive privilege" in the White House sex scandal and predicted that it would damage his credibility.

"It looks like they are hiding something," Senator Trent Lott, Republican of Mississippi, said on the NBC News program "Meet the Press." Mr. Clinton invoked the rarely used privilege Friday, in an effort to prevent a

grand jury investigating the scandal from hearing the testimooy of two top aides. The independent counsel, Kenneth Starr, is fighting Mr. Clinton's use of executive privilege in his investigation of whether the president or his aides urged a former White House intern, Monica

Lewinsky, to lie about a possible sexual relationship with Mr. Clinton. The president has denied any wrongdoing.

Executive privilege was designed to ensure that a president can enjoy free and frank exchanges with close aides, but federal courts have often limited its use to discussions of national security issues.

■ A Bid to Block Questioning

Stephen Labaton of The New York Times reported earlier:

Mr. Clinton's lawyers invoked the privilege in a closed hearing before the federal judge supervising the grand jury to block the questioning of Bruce Lindsey, the deputy White Honse counsel, and Sidney Blumenthal, another presidential adviser.

Judge Norma Holloway Johnson did

not immediately issue a ruling. White House officials said that they had been trying to reach a compromise to avoid the courtroom confrontation, and that they might still try to oegotiate a way around an impasse. A constitutional confron-tation could last months, prolong or delay the investigation, and ultimately require the intervention of the Supreme Court.

Investigators want to question Mr. Lindsey because he has been a top adviser to the president in the Paula Jones sexual misconduct lawsuit. The Lewinsky investigation is an outgrowth of information pertaining to that civil case, with prosecutors examining whether Mr. Clinton or any of his advisers sought to discourage Ms. Lewinsky and other witnesses from being truthful or urged them to hide evidence. The pres-

ident has denied telling anyone to lie. Mr. Lindsey has already testified over two days before the Lewinsky grand jury, although one of his appearances was marked by closed-door arguments over subjects that he and his lawyers believed should be protected from disclosure because of his relationship to the president Lawyers involved in the case said that the White House particularly wanted to keep secret conversations that Mr. Lindsey had with Mr. Clinton after he gave his deposition in the Jones case on Jan. 17.

Peter Baker of The Washington Post reported:

■ Attorneys Battle in Jones Case

Attorneys defending Mr. Clinton in the Jones lawsuit have asked a federal

judge to throw out all testimony about his alleged sexual escapades with other women, even as they abandoned plans to introduce evidence about Mrs. Jones's past sex life.

The president's legal team argued in a brief filed in U.S. District Court in Little Rock, Arkansas, that Mrs. Jones's law-yers engaged in a "smear campaign" intended to "taint the jury pool" last week when they made public bundreds of pages of swom statements documenting accusations of womanizing by Mr.

The Jones team contended that the filing was relevant because it constituted evidence of a pattern of rewarding or punishing women in the workplace based on whether they succumbed to Mr. Clinton's alleged advances.

Washington Mocks Itself: Take Ken Starr ... Please

At Gridiron Club, Clinton and Press Get Ribbed

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton navigated an awkward night by cracking wise on his lawyers, bemoaning the "March Madness" of scandal and promising with a flourishing discopose that he would be "Staying Alive"

through it all. The 113th annual Gridiron Clob Dinner was a roasting that briefly and gingerly turned the Monica Lewinsky

inquiry into a laughing matter.
Setting the tone for his monologue,
Mr. Clintoo gazed over the crowd of journalistic and political elite and said. 'So, how was your week?"

The audience erupted into laughter, knowing it had been a rotten week for Mr. Clinton, having begun with Kathleen Willey's appearance on ''60 Minutes' and ended at this gathering.
''Please withhold subpoenas until all the jokes are told,' Mr. Clinton said.

Just getting warmed up, he likened the controversy to this month's college basketball tournament: "This is an unusual time in Washington — sort of our version of 'March Madness.' Then, Mr. Clinton made light of the

controversy without mentioning Ms. Lewinsky, Mrs. Willey, Paula Jones or Gennifer Flowers, His jokes "were a whole lot funnier before the lawyers got ahold of them," he said.

The House speaker, Newt Gingrich, preceded Mr. Clinton to the lectern, saying it was sobering to realize that "during this meal the president's job approval rating will go up six points."

The White House chief of staff, Erskine Bowles, read a list of goals from January, then checked each one off as accomplished. "Come up with something — ANYTHING — to get campaign fund-raising off the front page." Mr. Bowles heaved a sigh and

said, forlornly, "Check."

As usual, the staple of the night was a rash of skits put on by reporters roasting the officials they cover. This year, many of the reporters' gibes were directed at the way they had covered this year of sex-scandal stories. As one song said, in love and in the selling of newspapers, "Anything Goes." The chorus, in part: "Push it! Shove it! God, how we love it — wallowing deep in muck and slime. Lurid tales? We're oot above it."

Yet Mr. Clinton was the star. It would have been bad form to back out of a gala that has played out before almost every president since Benjamin Harrison in 1825. Still, according to Mr. Clinton, his lawyers had approved just three jokes for the night:

• "Why did the chicken cross the road? Asked and answered." "'A lawyer and a client walk into a bar. The lawyer turns to his client and says....'
Mr. Clinton stopped himself, telling the crowd, "No, wait. It's privileged." "Knock, Knock; Don't answer

The lawyers also ordered him to keep Kenneth Stair, the Whitewater prosecutor, out of his monologue, he said: "People named Starr I can mention — Brenda, Bart and Ringo."

POLITICAL A

Willey Cleared Air In 2d Clinton Chat

WASHINGTON - Kathleen Willey, a former White House employee who has said that President Bill Clinton made an unwanted sexual advance to her in 1993, said in a sworn deposition that in a second meeting alone with Mr. Clinton in the Oval Office less than two weeks later she told him that the earlier incident should be forgotten.
In the deposition, Mrs. Willey said that during the second meeting, 'I don't know how I said it, but I basically said I just wanted that to be over with."

According to the deposition, which was released Friday as part of court filings made public by Mr. of court filings made public by Mr. Clinton's lawyers, Mrs. Willey said that the meeting took place Dec. 10, 1993. That is 11 days after a meeting she had oear the Oval Office during which, according to Mrs. Willey, the president hugged her, touched her breasts and placed her hand on his genitals. hand on his genitals.

In her deposition, Mrs. Willey said Mr. Clinton did not make any advances toward her at the second meeting. She said she had requested it to again solicit Mr. Clinton's help in finding a full-time job. (NYT)

Broadcaster Fined

WASHINGTON -- Pat Robertson's Christian Broadcasting Network has agreed to pay a "sig-nificant" penalty to the Internal Revenue Service and accept retroactive loss of tax-exempt status for 1986 and 1987.

Both the IRS and CBN refused to disclose the amount of the penalty. but the settlement amounts to an acknowledgment that money from CBN was used in violation of tax laws to promote the Republican's 1988 presidential campaign. (WP)

Quote/Unquote

Mike Mansfield, 95, a Montana Democrat who was majority leader of the Senate for 16 years, says what worries him most today is political polarization: "I've always felt that the true strength of the Senate lay in the center, not on the right and not on the left, but with those people who could see both sides and were not so convicted of their own assumptions that they wouldn't listen to the other side."

(NYT)

AMERICAN TOPICS

Newest 'Great Lake' Boasts Its Own Mysterious Beast

Lake Champlain, the spectacular body of water that recently managed to get itself declared officially as one of the Great Lakes, has other claims to fame. One lies at the bottom of the lake: thousands of bottles of bootleg whiskey dumped by smogglers bringing it from Canada wheo U.S. patrol boats ambushed them.

Another treasure is even more intriguing: A creature, reportedly 15 to 30 feet long, with a snakelike head that more than 300 people say they have seen. Reported sightings have come from sea captains, ministers, doctors and others. The first came from the lake's discoverer. Samuel de Champlain, who in 1609 reported seeing a "20-foot serpent thick as a barrel and a head like a horse,"

Joseph Zarzynski, a history teacher in Saratoga Springs, New York, has spent 20 years searching for the creature known as Champ. Throwing out the wilder descriptions of huge beasts with flowing red manes, he is left with what he and many others consider credible descriptions of a large animal with a snakelike body, possibly a surviving prehistoric beast known as a plesiosaur, reports Discover magazine.

Mr. Zarzynski and the others have their doubters, of course, especially since no carcass has ever been

But another explanation has come from Middlebury College scleotists, who note that Champlain is the site of an unusual type of powerful, churning underwater wave known as a seiche, which can wreoch logs or



DEVASTATION - A building in Stoneville, North Carolina, after a tornado ripped through the town Friday, killing two and injuring 20.

debris from the lake bottom and heave them about in ways that could account for the sightings. Interestingly, another narrow, deep lake, also a former inland salt sea, has beeo found to have a seiche: Scotland's

Short Takes

The school district in Uniondale, New York, opened its doors Sat-urday for voluntary classes in its ju-nior and senior high schools, becom-ing one of the first poblic school system in the United States to do so. The program is a response to tougher new state graduation requirements, and comes, incidentally, on the heels of reports of poor showings in math and science by American students,

America's movie theaters are struggling against competitioo from cable televisioo, pay-per-view and the Internet, but many theater owners think they have found the recipe to fight back: bigger, better seats. Owners at a national coovention last week in Las Vegas agreed on the need to install stadium seating, a tiered theater design that offers more leg room, flip-up armrests (for snuggling), optional headrests, and an unohstructed view of the screen, reports the Los Angeles Times, Nearly all new theater con-struction is stadium-style. Other extras include larger curved screens; adjoining coffee bars and shopping boutiques, and even fiber-optic-illuminated drink holders, which constantly change color. The ultimate, now being tried in some American theaters and a few abroad; for a \$25 ticket, patrons enjoy recliner seats and waitress service in a club-like atmosphere.

Brian Knowlton

Paraguay's New Democracy: Confused

By Diana Jean Schemo New York Times Service

ASUNCION, Paraguay - Fearing that a general who tried to seize power two years ago could win the presidential election in May, the governing party here is maneuvering to bar his candidacy, plunging this country into the worst political crisis of its fledgling democracy. What is at stake in Paraguay, home of bute of Latin America's longest-running military dictatorships, until 1989, is the country's first peaceful transition from

one civilian government to another.

The Colorado Party, which has run
Paraguay uninterrupted for the last half century, has been trying to block the election of Lino Oviedo, a retired general, since his unexpected victory in the party's primary in September.

Mr. Oviedo has been ut odds with President Juan Carlos Wasmosy since April 1996, when the president ordered him dismissed. The general defied the order and made a hid for power before stepping down. After the general's primary victory in September, the president ordered his arrest on charges of t insubordination based on the 1996 dispute, and picked the members of a spe-

cial military tribunal to try him. On March 9, the tribunal sentenced Mr. Oviedo to 10 years, and the Colorado Party named Mr. Oviedo's nuoning mate, Raul Cubas, as its presidential candidate. Mr. Oviedo vowed to continue his campaign from prison.

The drama — which pits a would-be

strongman who was legitimately chosen to run for president against a civilian president accused of using dictatorial tactics to eliminate his enemy - has confused and disoriented people here.

At a special convention in early March, the party leadership made ac-cusations of fraud in the primary and suggested delaying elections 60 days so it could field a oew candidate. Party leaders warned darkly of a conspiracy by the Supreme Electoral Tribunal, which monitors electoral rolls and has stood firm by the constitutionally mandated timetable for elections.

The machinations of the Colorado Party to engineer delayed elections with a replacement candidate have caused concern among foreign governments.

"If the world community lets it happeo, two months down the line, what guarantees do we have that the delay won't extend longer?" said a Western diplomat. But Bernardo Pericas, the Brazilian ambassador here, said that Mr. Wasmosy assured him that he would leave office on Aug. 15. The president also promised the Organization of American States the elections would occur May 10, as scheduled.

As they warned Mr. Oviedo in April 1996, the United States, Brazil and Argentina are now threatening Mr. Wasmosy with severe consequences should the country scuttle democracy outright. Mr. Oviedo has been a central figure in Paraguay's recent history, leading the conspiracy that overthrew General Alfredo Stroessner in 1989, and growing

Mr. Oviedo, who has brought a civil suit challenging his incarceration, main-tains he is still running for president. And Domingo Laino, a candidate representing an alliance of opposition parties, has refused to accept any post-ponement of the elections, which he is calling a "coup d'état."

Mr. Wasmosy's office denied a re-quest to interview Mr. Oviedo. In written answers to questions submitted through his lawyer, the general denied that he was attempting a coup when he refused Mr. Wasmosy's dismissal.

Before, everyone saw Lino Oviedo as the coup leader and Wasmosy as the victim." said Jose Francisco Applevard, Mr. Oviedo's lawyer. Now, he said, the roles have been reversed. 'Who's the one who wants to ignore the election results?" he said. "Who wants to delay elections? Now, Wasmosy is

trying to lead a coup. Some analysts attribute Mr. Oviedo's primary victory to tireless legwork and an ability to speak the peasants' language, Mr. Oviedo, they say, would eat at the homes of poor and working-class voters, always making sure to say, "When I'm president, there'll be more meat in that pot."

But others see in his victory democracy's failure to address the problems of a poor, uneducated electorate. And critics say that he used vast personal sums whose origins have never been explained to finance roads, bridges, schools and other projects in poor towns.

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• The Bureau of Labor Statistics says union memberhip fell by 159,000 last year, to 16.1 million workers, even though unions have pumped millions of dollars into organizing and said they recruited 385,000 workers in 1997. The decilne was worrisome, union officials acknowledged, because the economy added 2.8 million jobs. (NYT)

 The army is investigating claims that its own iovestigators coerced witnesses and targeted only blacks -- including the army's former top enlisted man - for sexual misconduct prosecution. The t jun in Baltimore reported. The inspector-general was ordered to determine whether army agents "knowingly pursued racially motivated allegations.

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King's Pardon Of Ranariddh **Gives Exile** 'Open Door'

PHNOM PENH — King Norodom Sthanouk's pardon of the deposed coprime minister, Prince Norodom Ranariddh, has breathed new life into the precarious Cambodian peace process, but more political maneuvering lies ahead, analysts said Sunday.

King Sihanouk issued a full amnesty for his son late Saturday, erasing two criminal sentences and an order in pay more than \$50 million in damages, just . hours after the second prime minister. Hun Sen, who deposed the prince in a coup last July, made a surprise about-face and asked the king to grant the pardon.
'It's very good news, but there are still obstacles to be overcome," a dip-

lomat in Phnom Penh said. The pardoo, a crucial component of a Japanese peace plan for Cambodia, followed a flurry of messages between the

king and Mr. Hun Sen.
'The king threw the ball into Hun Sen's court and Hun Sen immediately took it and threw it back," another diplomat said. "I oever refer to it as peace process. It's a game, a power game between the two of them, and it continues.'

After the coup, Prince Ranariddh was charged with security crimes. He denied the charges but agreed to be tried in his absence and accept a pardon.

Two military courts sentenced him this month to 35 years in prison for smuggling weapons and plotting a coup of his own. He also was ordered to pay for damage caused by the fighting in July. Without the pardon, he would have been politically finished. The law excludes convicted criminals from elections.

Analysts say Mr. Hun Sen sees the prince as a major threat in elections and does not want him back. But the intemational community has made his return a condition for electoral aid.

"Hun Sen can now expect the international community to release the assistance he oeeds," a diplomat said. "The elections will carry on." A Cambodian political analyst said:

"This is the open door for Ranariddh to return, but there are a lot more steps." Prince Ranariddh, who is in exile in Bangkok, was not available for comment, but an aide said no date had been set for his return. Told that some political analysts in Phnom Penh were reacting with caution to the pardon, the aide, Kong Vibol, said: "I think they're



bolsters Cambodia's peace process.

Hong Kong Worries: Can the Press Remain Free?

By Mark Landler New York Times Service

HONG KONG - A dispute over press freedom has erupted here, interrupting Hong Kong's otherwise peaceful return to Chinese rule and temporarily upstaging even the Asian financial crisis.

The fracas began March 4 when a Hong Kong delegate to the Chinese People's Political Consultative Congress harshly criticized the city's government-owned broadcaster, Radio Television Hong Kong, and urged the government to clamp down on it. The delegate, Xn Simin, accused the broadcaster of undermining Hong Kong's new leaders and described it as a "remoant of British rule."

Because Mr. Xn has close ties to the Chinese government and made his comments at a meeting in Beijing, many journalists and pro-democracy politicians interpreted the criticism as the first step in a crackdown on the news media.

Hong Kong's chief executive, Tung Chee-bwa, added to the fears with only a

tepid endorsement of the broadcaster's editorial independence. "While free-dom of speech is important," Mr. Tung said, "it is also important for government policies to be positively presented." He was in Beijing to attend the

National People's Congress.

Mr. Tung later reaffirmed that Radio Television Hong Kong would remain independent. But journalists and prodemocracy leaders said his conflicting responses indicated that vigorous news media are no longer welcome here.

'People here see RTHK's losing its independence as a litmus test of whether Hong Kong will have any press freedom at all," said Emily Lau, a former journalist who is one of Hong Kong's most outspoken pro-democracy politicians. Fears that Hong Kong's news media would be muzzled after the July 1 return

to China had receded in recent months, partly because Beijing has kept a de-terminedly low profile there and partly because Asia's economic crisis has distracted people from politics.

Bnt Miss Lau said the dispute would thrust the issue back into the spotlight, May. The broadcaster does not own television stations, but it supplies news and public affairs programs to the city's two commercial broadcasters. It also operates seven radio stations, including Hong

Kong's only Mandarin-language station, which gives it a commanding presence.

Mr. Xu trained most of his fire on a popular radio program, "Talkabout," which regularly criticizes leaders in

Hong Kong and Beijing. Such radio talk showa are a staple in Hong Kong, attracting more than 700,000 listeners each morning. With three programs vying for the audience, they compete to offer the most pungent. political commentary.

"The fact is, people don't believe controlled media," said Terry Nealon, the head of English-language news at Radio Television Hong Kong. "If RTHK were controlled by the government, people wouldn't watch it or listen to it."

Rancorous relations with the government are oothing new for the broad-

not least because Radio Televisioo Hong Kong will play a central role in covering Hoog Kong's legislative elections in May The broadcast and a central role in covering of BBC. Mr. Nealon recalled an incident in which the news department was censored by the British colonial administration, when he was a novice producer in the mid-1970s.

But the stakes are much greater today. given China's determination not to appear to meddle in Hong Kong. For the past week, government officials have scrambled to explain that Mr. Tunsa steadfastly supports the broadcasting service and had simply been caught off

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guard when asked about the criticism.

Some officials even found a silver lining. They pointed ont that the head of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Congress, Li Ruihuan, indirectly reproached Mr. Xu, declaring in a speech March 7 that delegates should not question Hong Kong'a internal affairs.

"It helped clarify the concept of 'one country, two systems,' 'said a senior Hong Kong official, referring to the agreement with Britain that guarantees Hong Kong some sntocomy as a special administrative regioo of China.

BRIEFLY

India Vows Better Pakistan Ties

NEW DELHI — The new prime minister, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, said Sunday that his government would try to

improve ties with its bitter foe, Pakistan.
"Whenever there is the slightest opportunity to improve our relations with Islamabad, my government will go the extra mile," Mr. Vajpayee said in a television broadcast, his first address to the nation.

The rise of Mr. Vajpayee's Hindu nationalist Bharativa Janata Party to power has drawn sharp comment from

But Mr. Vajpayee, who faces a close confidence vote in Parliament this week, held out hope of a new beginning with Pakistan. "Our relatioos have been and are bedeviled by needless tensions," be said. "But our lives are in-

Fires Destroy Indonesian Forest

JAKARTA - Fresh fires have destroyed thousands of hectares of forest on the Indonesian side of Borneo, the

Antara news agency reported Sunday. The agency said a fire in the Sungai Wein forest, near the oil town of Balikpapan, had already destroyed a fifth of the 10,000-hectare (25,000-acre) forest.

And fires in Rian Province on Sumatra are threatening 200 elephants. Governor Suripto said in appealing for help in saving the animals, Antara said.

Ramos Maps Out End of Term

MANILA - President Fidel Ramos said Sunday that his top goals in his last 100 days in office were to hand over

power peacefully to his successor and make the Philippines the first country to put Asia's financial turmoil behind it. 'I want the Philippines to be the first country in Asia to recover from the ongoing regional currency crisis," Mr. Ramos said. "And we will make it happen."

Mr. Ramos, who is barred by the constitution from seeking a second term, is to step down June 30. His successor is to be chosen in a May 11 election in which Vice President Joseph Estrada is the froot-runner. (Reuters)

Singapore Punishes Immigrants

SINGAPORE—Singapore has jailed and ordered caned 117 men convicted of entering the country illegally or overstaying their visas, the Sunday Times reported.

The men were among 300 people charged with immigration offenses Saturday. They bring to nearly 800 the number of people arrested last week in a drive against illegal immigrants, who have been flooding into Singapore as neighboring economies deteriorate.

"We are literally a nation besieged," the unidentified prosecutor was quoted as saying. The men were sentenced to up to six weeks in jail and to four to six strokes of the

3 Killed in Philippine Crash

BACOLOD, Philippines - Three people on the ground were killed Sunday when a Philippine Airlines plane plowed into squatter shacks after overshooting the runway

They said that 88 of the 127 passengers and crew on

board the plane were hospitalized.

The Airbus 320 had flown from Manila, 490 kilometers (305 miles) to the north.

Bid to Advance Korean Talks In Switzerland Is Full of Holes

GENEVA --- An effort to lock North and Sonth Korea into a peace process unraveled at an Alpine cheese farm in Switzerland, the Chinese mediator says. Chen Jian, China's assistant foreign minister, had proposed an excursion to

China and the United States. But he said the differences became unbridgeable after the trip. "We were close to agreement," Mr. Chen said. But it was only after we returned from Gruyere that we hit the snags and the

the medieval village of Gruyere last

Thursday for envoys from the Koreas,

end positions changed on all sides."

The troubled negotiations broke up Saturday in disarray, with North Korea threatening to walk out and Washington and Pyongyang trading accusations over who was to hlame for the failure. North Korea said it would not negotiate unless the United States discussed the withdrawal of its 37,000

troops from South Korea and the conclusion of a peace agreement. The United States rejected both demands, saying the two issues were non-negotiable. Washington says the presence of its troops across the border from North Korea, which has a 1.2-million-member military, helps keep the peace.

It took more than five hours of haggling just to get the four parties to sit down together - and more than 20 months of work to begin the first round

in December in Geneva.
Once there, North Korea's representatives refused to sit across from South Korea's and demanded and received a place opposite the United States, with which it has sought to deal directly in the past, hypassing the Sonth.

Bot the mood in Geneva was one of suspicion and mistrust. The talks failed to narrow what one senior U.S. official called "a tremendous gap."

Like dancers in a minnet, negotiators for the two Koreas seemed to edge closer throughoot the week without making much direct contact, even #? though they stayed at the same hotel.

The deputy head of the South Korean

delegation, Yu Myong Hwan, said the North Koreans kept to themselves all week, avoiding any contact with the South Koreans

"The Cold War is alive in Geneva,"
Mr. Yu said, "Even here, the North Koreans live in a siege mentality. They rarely came out of their rooms. The North Koreans are like dinosaurs. They do not realize their surroundings have changed. They live in their own world."

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LESSONS: Japanese Example Offers U.S. a Warning on Hubris Continued from Page 1 sorts of problems." said M.Y. rest on a speculative hubble of gel, long one of America's

"I think this is a time when we ought to be pretty bumble," said Jeffrey Garten, iean of the Yale School of Management, "and at all costs not beat our breasts and try to demonstrate that somehow we have got the formula, because it was in this decade that an awful lot of people thought we didn't. I think it's very possible that within the next four or five years there'll be the kind of problems that create

another level of doubt." In particular, Asia's crisis has created new risks of a global economic downtum. Mr. Garten warned that if Asia's problems thus lead to a slowdown in the United States, then the American business atructure will no longer seem so magnificent and a huge oumber of critics

will emerge."
To be sure, virtually everyone believes that the American boom is genuine and un-likely to run off a cliff the way Japan's did in 1990 or Southeast Asia's did last year. But some say that the United States is also growing in part because of a cyclical expansion and that it may risk being bumbled in the oext cyclical

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Tokyo in the late 1980s were

Asia, economists also emphasize that the pendulum in fa-John Neuffer, an American vor of American economic at Mitsui Marine Research Institute in Tokyo, says that own; rather, the United States

Japan is facing problems but 'Americans don't see the cliff they may walk over.'

people have a tendency to genuinely restructured in im-think that the boom will never portant ways since the doomend when times are good, or, conversely, that the hust will oever end when times are bad.

and-gloom talk of the 1980s. The United States has worked to eliminate its budget deficit, The message from Asia'a ex- deregulated broad areas of the perience, he said, is this: "Be-

ware complacency. "The Japanese doo't see the light at the end of the tunnel, and Americans don't see the cliff they may walk

over," he warned. Still, while there are some parallels between the exuberance in America today and that of Japan a decade ago. experts in Asia point to some important differences.

"I think the U.S. situatioo is much more balanced than the one in Japan was," said Peter Morgan, an economist in Tokyo for HSBC Securities. In particular, he noted

economy, cut tax rates and nurtured a new industry in information technology that is the envy of the world.

"Market capitalism certainly had its defects, but a number of them were addressed during the '70s and '80s,' said Robert Alan Feld-man, chief economist of Morgan Stanley in Tokyo. Some analysts suggest that

one lesson of the Asian economic mess - and of America's difficulties a decade ago - may be how easy it is to come up with myriad explanations for why a trend is likely to continue. A decade ago, experts were full of intelligent-sounding explanations for wby Japan was going to bury the United States, and now there are an equal number of intelligent-sounding explanations about wby Japan is finished.

factors that were cited then as

some analysts raise questions vard Business School. "Un- happened in Japan, where the Asia, reflected a widespread "the superior flexibility of Japanese institutions, coordinated by government, to ad-From the vantage point of apt more quickly in new oportunities. Back then, industrial plan-

ning was the rage, and it was America that was considered inflexible.

"The recent progress achieved by Japan and several European countries, and America a relative decline, require no convoluted explanations," said Robert Reich. then a Harvard professor and later secretary of labor, in 1980s book praising industrial planning. "For largely historical reasons these countries are organized for economic adaptation. And for largely histor-

ical reasons, America is not." Likewise, the main problem Japan now faces — by its own reckoning and that of American analysts -- is dismal bank oversight and a moootain of bad debts. But in 1989, Harvard Business Review bailed Japan's financial regulators as "unsurpassed" and extolled Japanese hanks for their "high-quality as-

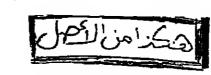
One message may be that when an economy is booming along, there is a tendency to give a hit too much credit to the brilliance of its economic and social structures. More broadly, many analysts say that an essential lessoo for America from Asia's experience is not to spend too much time patting one's owo back

Thomas Foley, the former What is especially dizzyHouse speaker who is now
ing is that precisely the same ambassador to Japan, mused: ambassador to Japan, mused: "I'm worried a trifle that this fundamental American weak- kind of mild triumphalism nesses are now viewed as that we have in the United States about our economy -Now almost everyone be- you know, the model of the tieves that the great American world now, we're going up advantage is the flexibility of and up and up - may benefit its businesses and the lack of from the hiblical injunction government intervention in that pride goeth before the the economy. But Ezra Vofall."

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Cultural Junk Aside, Germans Fuss Little Over America's Prominent Role

By John Vinocur International Herald Tribune

BERLIN — The power of the United States is such at the edge of the 21st century that Germans tend to discuss sharing small bits of it with some reinctance, leaving the Americans thinking that, willfully or inadvertently or by default, their assignment to do it all in the world will oot change much in the years beyond 2000.

This potential parceling out of some of America's prerogatives was the essential subtext of s seminar here, and it brought confirmation that not much of a realignment of roles will occur soon. In security policy or matters concerning the international position of the dollar, no German voices rose to say that the American-dominated status quo was profoundly uojust and a long-term formula for disaster.

The conference was held under the auspices of the American Academy of Berlin, with Chancellor Helmut Kohl, Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel, Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott and Henry Kissinger among the German and American speakers addressing the theme "Intellectual Leadership for the New Century." Real circumspection

there was an expression of concern, with the idea said, "we end cultural communality." being heard that the world of culture was being distorted under the weight of junk entertainment merchandised from the United States.

The accusation was not shrill. Instead, the circumstances were described as those in which subjects such as freedom, justice and tolerance were no longer essential to the cultural industry. Its basic concern instead was the globalization of

marketing techniques.

Michael Noumann, president of the New York book publisher Henry Holt, said that the presence of bundreds of television channels, aimed at a alization of culture was at hand. But he said the world market and solely concerned with en-tertainment of marginal value, was coming to dominate culture through merchandising tie-ins enveloping book publishing and every other aspect of cultural activity.

From his viewpoint as the German chief executive of a German-owned American publisher, Mr. Naumann insisted, "The German-American cultural future is the future of entertainment."

The challenge, he suggested, was to struggle for greater values in the context of an overhelming economic reality. "If we can't have parameters.

seemed at work here rather than fake modesty. But any influence on totalitarian entertainment," he

Volker Schlondorff, the German film director, spoke of "shrinking diversity" in the world's film industry. A non-American producer, he said, increasingly faced circumstances where he had to put a film in an American pipeline in order to reach his home market.

"You even have situations," he said, "where a French film must go to America first in order to be distributed properly in Germany."

Mr. Schlondorff said he did not agree with

cultural protectionism or that an American globbusiness dynamic of focusing investment on films that could be marketed globally was ex-tremely powerful — "and I don't see how you are going to change it."

None of this sense of things going in hard-to-retrieve, unwanted directions characterized two other forum discussions on security and economic issues. But there was very little indication of sufficient confidence or ambition at hand in Europe's most powerful country to engage Europe in world leadership beyond its present

Mr. Kohl stated in a speech the clearly un-contested proposition that the United States would need Europe in the years to come. As certain as this seemed, Mr. Kinkel, his foreign minister, acknowledged it was unlikely in the foresceable future that there would be any single European voice on security policy. In the meanwhile, he said, Europe should be engaging itself in initiatives like a trans-Atlantic free trade zone — proposed to a very lukewarm reception two weeks ago by the Eurocean Commission — that would have an organic function as meaningful as its economic aspect.

Mr. Kissinger stressed the idea of Europe and the United States undertaking more substantive issues together. He pointed to Indonesia and the extent to which its problems represented the clash elsewhere in Asia and Latin America beween economic theory and political evolution. China's development was another subject where Europeans and Americans should be formulating

a long-term viewpoint, he said. However politically incorrect it would seem in American universities, Mr. Kissinger said, the two partners should be concerned with affirming "there is a Western civilization" with spe-

Much of the discussion moved from the broadest themes to concentrate on the entry of Turkey into the European Union, with Mr. Talbott pressing the idea and the German participants unrecorning the problems it represents.

'We have to learn as Europeans to take up responsibilities that are more global," said Karsten Voigt, foreign policy spokesman of the opposition Social Democrats' parliamentary group. But he added: "We don't have the culture yet. Particularly the Germans. We've got to learn this, and then the Americans will have to learn to consult us."

In the discussion on economics, Fred Bergsten, director of the International Institute for Economics in Washington, pressed a view that the European single currency would emerge a decade after its inauguration as a reserve currency parallel to the dollar. He said there was considerable potential for conflict in this development and that both sides should be talking about it now.

Otto Graf Lambsdorff, a former German economics minister, said the prospect of the euro as rival or co-equal with the dollar all seemed a bit hasty to him. Working together on trade policy seemed more of this world, be suggested. The remark well suited the tone of the conference.

U.S. Outrage Over Arrest Of 6 Americans in Kosovo

By Lee Hockstader Vashington Post Service

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia — Six Americans remained in jail here Sunday in what U.S. diplomats called a case of official anti-American harassment masquerading as a garden-variety technical

Most of the six, who were sentenced to 10-day jail terms for not reporting their presence to local police, are mem-bers of a San Francisco-based group called Peace Workers. They had spent at least several days in Kosovo, the volatile southern province of Serbia, Yugoslavia's dominant repoblic, in-structing local ethnic Albanian activists on nonviolent conflict resolution before being arrested late Friday and Saturday, according to U.S. sources.

In another episode involving Americans in the region, the Yugoslav authorities refused Saturday to grant visas to 14 members of a bipartisan delegation, including Representative Jim Moran, Democrat of Virginia, two other coogressmen and Ed Turner, CNN editor at large.

The group was attempting to enter the country from neighboring Macedonia to call attention to what it called, in a press release, "the recent reigo of terror in-flicted on the people of Kosovo" by the regime of President Slobodan Milosevic of Yugoslavia. The visit would have coincided with elections Sunday

for the president and Parliament of Kosovo, an event the Serbian government regards as illegal.

The arrests and visa denials come amid what appears to be a rising tide of

anti-Americanism here in recent days. More than 80 ethnic Albanians have been killed in a Serbian crackdown in Kosovo that began Feb. 28, and Wash-

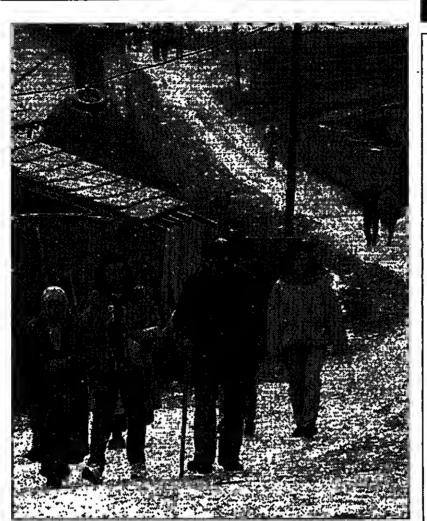
ington has vowed to impose further eco-nomic sanctions on Belgrade. The U.S. criticism has whipped up resentment and a mood of victimization among Serbs, who say they were jus-tified in taking harsh measures against what they consider ethnic Albanian terrorists. Even opponents of the government are furious at Washington's threat of new sanctions, believing they will do nothing but deepen sympathy for Mr. Milosevic's suthoritarian regime and further deplete Yugoslavia's economy.

■ Ethnic Albanians Go to Polls

The ethnic Albanian vote in Kosovo on Sunday for a president and Parliament was marked by high turnout and a calm atmosphere, according to Agence France-Presse. No major incidents were

An electoral commission official said the turnout was about 72 percent by midafternooo.

About 1.1 million people are registered to vote for a president and 130 deputies to sit in the Parliament of the self-proclaimed Kosovo Republic.



Ethnic Albanians heading toward a polling station Sunday in the village of Hajvalia, Yngoslavia, to vote in an election Belgrade considers illegal.

BRIEFLY

Irish Security Forces Seize a Huge Bomb

BELFAST — Security forces in the Irish republic seized a huge bomb on Sunday, foiling an attack planned

for neighboring Northern Ireland. About 1,300 pounds of explosives and bomb parts were found in a gar-age near Dundalk, 15 miles south of the border with the Northern Ireland, the police said. Two men were arrested. Other bomb components were found later in a raid on a house.

Peace talks between most of the parties in Northern Ireland enter a

final phase Monday.

The police declined to speculate on who had been behind the plot. But security sources in Ireland suspect that an IRA splinter group had been preparing to transport the bomb to the North.

German Searchers. Find Body of Girl

CLOPPENBURG, Germany -An 11-year-old girl whose body was found Saturday after one of Germany's biggest searches had been raped and strangled, according to re-

sults Sunday from an antopsy.

The clothed body of Christina Nytsch, who disappeared March 16 on the way home from an indoor swimming pool, also had knife wounds, the police said.

There were no suspects. More than

a socialist society.

1,000 police, soldiers and volunteers had searched. The body was found in woods 15 kilometers from Strueck-lingen, a town of 3,500 near the Dutch border, where Christina lived. (AP)

Russian Abductors Free 2 Missionaries

MOSCOW - Two U.S. Mormon missionaries abducted in the Saratov region of southern Russia on Thursday were freed Sunday without pavment of a ransom but with minor injuries, officials said.

The hostages have been freed. they are feeling all right," a Federal Security Service spokesman said. Local police said the two men had been released by their abdoctors. (Reuters)

A Communist Edge As Moldovans Vote

CHISINAU, Moldovia - Moldovans began voting Sunday in leg-islative elections in which old-style Communists are the front-runners, according to opinion polls, which said that the Moldova Communist Party

would win 21 percent of the vote.

The party, which currently has only seven seats in the 101-seat Parliament, has pledged a return to a centralized economy and "the rebirth of

Fifteen parties and 67 independent candidates are taking part in the elec-

BOOKS

THE GIFTS OF THE JEWS: How o Tribe of Desert Nomads Changed the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels

By Thomas Cahill. 291 pages. \$23.50.Nan A. TaleselDoubleday. Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

O most readers today, "the Bible is a confusing hodgepodge; and those who take up the daunting task of reading it from cover to cover seldom maintain their resolve beyond a book or two." So t writes Thomas Cahill in his captivating new book, "The Gifts of the Jews," a sequel in the author's best-selling 'How the Irish Saved Civilization" and the second book in his projected sevenvolume "Hinges of History" series, about "the great gift-givers" who shaped Western civilization.

Though the Bible is full of literature's two great themes, love and death (as well as its exciting caricatures, sex and violence)," Cahill continues, "it is also full of tedious ritual prescriptions and interminable battles. More than anything, because the Bible is the product of so many hands over so many ages, it is full of confusion for the modern reader who attempts to decode what it might be about."So he decodes it for us, the Hebrew Bible, that is, comprising Torah (or Teaching), Neviim (or Prophets) and Ketuvim (or Writings).

The former director of religious publishing at Doubleday, Cahill skips over the boring parts or summarizes their implications; he skirts much scholarly controversy; he simplifies "complex questions so that the line of my argument may appear clearly." He writes in an easy, relaxed vernacular.

the pharaoh who asks, "Ma-zot?"

("What's this?"), "an almost exclamation of frustration often heard in modern Israel," when he learns that Sarah (in Genesis) is actually not Abraham's sister but his wife.

He delights in the accessibility of David's character: "He is the captain of the football team, the supersalesman, the engaging entertainer, the charismatic politician. We know the man." He motes in full the beantiful King James Version of the 23rd Psalm, even though much of the English-speaking world probably knows it hy heart.

So the reader enjoys himself, too, happy to have gaps filled in, amused to read the author's snappy summaries of obscure occurrences, edified by his straightforward interpretations of muchdebated episodes. But, as his subtitle conveys, "How a Tribe of Desert Nomads Change the Way Everyone Thinks and Feels," Cahill has a much larger purpose than simply to entertain. What he sets out to make clear is that when Abraham in Genesis heard a voice telling him "Goyou-forth/from your land/from your kindred /from your father's house to the land that I will let you see," something new in history was happening, "a mi-gration in the wrong direction" that

would change the face of the earth.' So in his reading of the Hebrew Bible he not only traces the development of the Hebrew God from the figure who heavyhandedly called for the near-sacrifice of Isaac because "He had to jump-start this new religion, and He didn't always have the best material to work with," to what the King James calls the "still small voice" that the Prophet Elijah heard. Cahill also contrasts this development with what existed before Abraham's departure for Canaan, namely what the author describes as the static outlook of the Mesopotamian kingdom of Sumer around And he enjoys himself. He laughs at 2000 B. C., which conceived of time as a turning wheel without beginning or end.

speculative in Cahill's book. By offering up "Gilgamesh" as an epic without much dramatic development, and by imagining an eeric Moon-cult ritual in which priestess mounts an adolescent boy, he is more or less asking us to take his word (and that of the pre-eminent modern scholar of religion, Mircea Eliade) that the Sumerians lacked any sense of history.

Bot the timeless atmosphere he evokes certainly contrasts vividly with the sharpness of the Hebrew imperative "lekh-lekha" ("Go forth") and the phrase "wayyelekh Avram" ("Abraham went"), which Cahill calls "two of the boldest words in all of literature." And what matters, after all, are the events after Abraham's departure.

Does the thesis of "The Gifts of the Jews" stand up, persnading us that the Israelites changed history? As readers of "How the Irish Saved Civilization" will recall, Cahill is fond of hyperbole. So one might take it with a grain of salt when he writes of the Old Testament Jews that "it may be said with some justice that theirs is the only new idea that human beings have ever had," or "We can hardly get up in the morning or cross the street without being Jewish."

Yet "The Gifts of the Jews" is finally persuasive as well as entertaining. 'Where are the Sumerians, the Babylonians, the Assyrians today?" he asks, remarking on Jewish identity and the 'unique miracle of cultural survival."

"The Jews gave us the Outside and the Inside - our outlook and our inner life," he concludes. "We dream Jewish dreams and hope Jewish hopes. Most of our best words, in fact - new, adventure, surprise; unique, individual, person, vocation; time, history, future; freedom, progress, spirit, faith, hope, justice — are gifts of the Jews." And so is Cahill's book a gift.

New York Times Service

Le Pen's Party Divides, and Conquers

By Joseph Fitchett rional Herald Tribus

PARIS — The success of Jean-Marie Le Pen's National Front in overwhelming resistance to deals with local conservatives in the current regional elections has demonstrated the extreme-right party's new ability to concentrate its forces and outsmart the mainstream conservative leaders in Paris.

It is bound to raise questions internationally, not only about Mr. Le Pen's anti-Semitic and racist policies but also about France's ability to cope with a single European currency, trade liberalization, market economics and trans-Atlantic cooperation and other key tenets in a bipartisan consensus on how to modernize the nation.

The National Front insists that France would be better off if it had a government that unabashedly embraced nationalistic policies. For the moment, its breakthrough is mainly a French psychodrama, not a shift in the center of gravity of national politics. There are no elections of national importance due until 2002. But conservative leaders, starting

been humbled by a revolt, cleverly encouraged by the Front's blandishments, in which prominent leaders in five regional councils chose to make themselves acceptable to the Front as the price of heading their councils.

The outcome underscored mounting discontent with the country's overall orientation. In the popular vote last week, Mr. Le Pen's share — 15.5 percent, But such political magnanimity was re-

elections — suggested his support may be peaking. But abstentions reached an

all-time high of more than 40 percent.

More than 5 percent of the vote went to an extreme-left faction that has emerged in the 10 months since Prime Minister Lionel Jospin, a Socialist, formed a coalition government with Communists and Greens. Even though they are at opposite ends of the political spectrum, these groups - the Front, the Communists, the extreme leftists and the Greens openly isolationist and protectionist.

The weight of these groups emerged so clearly because regional elections in-

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volve proportional representation, not the usual French system of runoff voting

that produces strong majorities.

The late President Francois Mitterrand, a Socialist, introduced the regional voting system, apparently to give the Front a foothold so that the specter of the extreme right would scare voters into

shifting to the Socialists.
The election results March 15 provided with President Jacques Chirac, have a three-way split in most of the country's 22 regions. In at least 10, the center-right alliance ran slightly behind Mr. Jospin's coalition — but well ahead if humped together with the National Front.

In such situations, it had been understood that the mainstream conservative candidate would order his supporters not to vote, allowing a Socialist the Socialists' ties with pro-Soviet Comrival to assume the council presidency. munists. Today, the National Front has a

roughly where it has stood for several jected by five regional leaders, at the price of suspension from their party by the national leadership.

All polls showed that the Front would emerge as a kingmaker in its three main areas of support: the south of France, Alsace and the Paris region. Both the south and Paris have delayed the regional

council choice until Monday.

How serious is the revolt? Insiders have sought to play it down, saying that the rebels were pushed by their militants, whose jobs were at stake. More widely, among conservative voters, polls show a two-thirds disapproval rating of elec-toral deals with the Front.

The National Front gained ground by handling its initiative deftly. Bruno Megret, the No. 2 and presumptive heir to Mr. Le Pen, defied his own boss on occasion, too, dumping the Front's "France for the French" demands and focusing on law and order in an appeal to

more moderate conservatives. The conservatives' deals with the Front were denounced by Mr. Jospin as a "Faustian pact," but the criticism brought retorts that the Socialists themselves had introduced the electoral system that

helped produce Mr. Le Pen's advantage. As a result, moderate conservatives find themselves in a situation similar to that of the Socialists in the 1960s and 1970s, who had a natural majority but could not win national elections, because the Communists split the vote - and scared off many centrist voters afraid of

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

FOR intermediate players who own a computer (with Windows and three megabytes available on the hard disk) and want to improve their bridge skills, there is a clear choice: Mike Lawrence's "Private Bridge Lessons, Volume I." It is a sequel to "Counting at Bridge," both produced in collaboration software designer, and more is to come. Either disk is available from the author at 131 Alvarado Road, Berkeley. California. 94705, for \$37.95, including mailing.

Topics include squeezes, end hits on a spade lead. plays, counting, entries, percentages and safety plays. The diagramed deal, from Lawrence but not from the disk, is about defense.

In days of yore, some playwith Fred Gitelman, a bridge any response to a one-clob as the setting trick. opening.

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and prods from Lawrence. fense will prevail if West The key play, not at all obvious, is for East to play

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NATO Bill Faces Threat of Delay

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputch WASHINGTON - The Senate may delay a vote on

expanding NATO because of President Bill Clintoo's trip to Africa, the Senate majority leader said Sunday. Trent Lott, Republican of Mississippi, said he had "reservations about going ahead with a major foreign policy initiative when he's ont of the country." He questioned the timing of the trip and objected to "12 days away wheo we're

faced with a lot of critical decisions." Mr. Lott said he was personally in favor of ratifying the expansion of NATO to include Hungary, Poland and the Czech Republic, in a vote that had been expected this week. But, he added, "We should not rush to judgment on that."

"We will pass it," said Mr. Lott, who threatened Friday to delay the vote if the Democratic minority continued to oppose a Republican education bill. Breaking off an intermittent weeklong debate, Mr. Lott said then that the Senate would not return to the issue before Congress's two-week recess in early April unless Democrats ended their tactics of "delay, block and filibuster" on the education bill and other issues

Because of the need to pass other legislation before the recess, including an emergency spending bill for disaster relief and for military operations in Bosnia-Herzegovina and the Gulf, the NATO-enlargement resolution would be put off if the schools bill was not finished by late Wednesday, Mr. Lott said. An hour earlier, Mr. Clinton held a ceremony at the White House, attended by top national security officials and key senators, to rally support for the resolution. (AFP, WP)



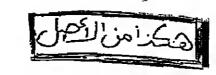
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INTERNATIONAL

Panel Warns Against 'Rush to Failure' on U.S. Missile Shield

By Bradley Graham

WASHINGTON — Pentagon efforts to speed into operation anti-missile weapons inspired by President Ronald Reagan's "star wars" proposal are marred by poor planning, insufficient testing and political pressure to hasten inauguration of the defensive systems, according to an independent panel appointed by the Defense Department.

In a report prompted by a series of flight-test failures, the panel warned against a "rosh to failure" in what, at a cost of nearly \$4 hillion a year, has become the Defense Department's most expensive category of weapons research and development projects.

The report, which the Pentagon bas not publicized since it was submitted this month, said decisions to accept abbreviated timetables and minimal numbers of flight tests in developing the anti- bers are likely to remain unchanged," a missile systems had raised the risk of

space-based arsenal to make the United States impenetrable by enemy missiles.

Since taking control of Congress three slowing the programs in line with the years ago, the Republicans have sucpanel's recommendations. ceeded in adding hundreds of millions of dollars to spending on anti-missile sys- anti-missile effort, a defensive umbrella proposed by Mr. Reagan but that push

the envelope of existing technology.

Republican military specialists on
Capitol Hill were quick to dismiss the panel's findings, saying the authors of the 76-page report had failed to appreciate how the argent need for missile defenses justified unconventional methods and more inventive development programs than those for other weapons systems.

"The attitudes of congressional mem-House staff member familiar with the more failures, delays and cost overruns. report said. A spokesman for the Bal-, analysis that characterized the six-and-

anti-missile systems, especially among our anti-missile programs, said the pan-Republicans in Congress, 15 years after el's findings were under review. He said Mr. Reagan put forward his vision of a some adjustments were planned to improve testing and evaluation methods. But he said he saw little prospect of

The schedule for the farthest reaching terns that are less ambitious than the one over U.S. territory, was hammered out between the Clinton administration and Congress in 1996. It committed the Defense Department to spend three years researching and developing a shield, with the understanding that if a decision were made in 2000 to deploy the system, it could be fielded within three years. Citing lessons learned from the

Peacekeeper intercontinental ballistic missile, which was created under intense pressure in the 1980s, the panel cautioned that little of the management discipline, careful planning and thorough

"Specifically, the perceived urgency of the need for these systems has led to high levels of risk that have resulted in delayed deployments because of failures in their development test programs,' said the report, sponsored by the head of the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization and two senior defense officials responsible for operational testing.

In about a month, the Pentagon intends to select the contractor that will be responsible for building the national system. Rather than Mr. Reagan's proposed comprehensive space-based defense, the program aims at constructing a largely ground-based system that would protect the country against accidental launch or limited attack by up to 20 missiles.

The plan envisions having spacebased military sensors detecting the launching of a missile within seconds. The United States then would fire a ground-based interceptor missile. Ground radars would feed tracking in-

The sharply negative critique runs listic Missile Defense Organization, a-half-year development effort was ev-counter to the strong political support for which coordinates the Pentagon's vari-ident in the anti-missile programs. the incoming warhead.

Over the past decade, only 4 of 17 flight tests involving a variety of interceptors have been declared successful. No tests have attempted to integrate the entire system: interceptors, radars and controlling networks. Only one such test is scheduled ahead of when the government is supposed to decide, in 2000, whether to buy the system at an estimated cost of \$5 billion or more.

The feasibility of other anti-missile systems under development by the army and navy to guard against shorter-range attacks also has yet to be demonstrated in

The rush to failure in flight testing has been partially caused by a fundamental misunderstanding of the purpose of developmental testing," the report said. "A single success is regarded as a large step forward and becomes the criteria for a key program decision, such as exercising an option to buy operational missiles."

OIL: A Deal to Cut Output

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profitability and can bolster growth while limiting inflation, as it has done in the United States. But while lower prices are a boon for major oil-consuming countries, exporters have suffered. Iran and Knwait have revised budget

bia has considered spending cuts. All had forecast strong prices. Gulf oil revenues have fallen by \$7 billion so far this year compared with the corresponding period last year, analysts said.

In Russia this mouth, Deputy Prime Minister Anatoli Chubais called low oil prices "a serious problem for Russia." Oil and natural gas are Russia's leading exports. In Mexico, some analysts recently lowered their predictions for economic growth this year to 4.5 percent from 5.5 percent.

Saudi officials said Sunday that as part of the new agreement, they would lower production by 300,000 barrels a day. Current Saudi output is estimated at 8.7 million barrels a day.

Mexico's 100,000 barrel-a-day cut amounts to a 5.4 percent reduction in ontput. Venezuela committed itself to a 200,000 barrel-a-day reduction, a similar percentage if its overproduction is as great as estimated.

In response to the three-nation initiative, Kuwait announced cuts of 125,000 barrels a day. Iran and the United Arab Emirates were also expected to make proportionate cuts, Agence France-Presse reported. A statement released in Riyadh, lowever, did not say how much other producers would lower output.

Norway, the world's second-largest producer, said Sunday it was reserving

U.S. Peace Plan JERUSALEM — Israel rejected

Israelis Reject

Sunday a new U.S. peace initiative intended to break a stalemate in Israeli-Palestinian peace talks.

At a cabinet meeting, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his ministers unanimously opposed a reported U.S. proposal calling for an Israeli withdrawal from an additional 13 percent of the West Bank, Cabinet Secretary Danny Naveh said.

"This figure which has been mentioned in the news media, 13 percent, is unacceptable" and "damaging to the security interests of the state of Israel, "Mr. Naveh

Ex-CIA Chief Offers To Defend 6 Iraqis

WASHINGTON - R. James Woolsey Jr., a former director of Central Intelligence, says that he wants to defend six Iraqis who fought alongside the CIA against Saddam Hussein and now face deportation as threats to U.S. national

Security.

Mr. Woulsey would give the jailed Iraqis something they lack: a lawyer qualified for the high security clearances necessary to see the secret evidence against them and the secret order to deport them.

'I am available to take this on." said Mr. Woulsey, a lawyer at the Washington firm of Shea & Gard-

Mr. Woulsey said be would meet next week with the Iraqis, who are jailed at an Immigration and Naturalization Service detention center in Los Angeles, to offer his services

New Afghan Quake

KABUL — A powerful earth-quake hit parts of northern Afghanistan and Pakistan over the weekend, but officials in the two countries said Sunday that they bad no reports of damage or casualties.

Some seismic laboratories put the epicenter of the earthquake Saturday night in the region of northeastern Afghanistan where a quake killed more than 4,000 people last month. A spokesman for the Afghan faction that cootrols the part of Afghanistan where the quake occurred said there was no damage.

"The quake was felt here. It was a strong one, but after contacting our centers, we found no damage or reports of deaths," the spokesman, Engineer Baryalai, said Sunday by satellite telephone.

Brazilian Support Erodes For 5-Nation Waterway

Project Seen as Threat to an Ecological Treasure

By Anthony Faiola

BUENOS AIRES — A key Brazilian has signaled that his nation is reconsidering its vital support of a controversial plan to dredge a decp-river waterway that environmentalists say would threaten one of the world's most valu-Eduardo Martins, head of the Brazili-

CLINTON: 6-Nation Africa Tour

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a new focus for the American people." But if the chosen themes have been emerging for some time, even in the final days of preparation there have been signs of shifting emphasis in reaction to African audiences and groups back home.

"If this trip is simply a collection of set pieces filled with easy slogans," said Richard Joseph, an Africa scholar at Emory University in Atlanta, "the president will have wasted a tremendous opportunity to seriously engage Africa. There has got to be more to it than that, and the African audiences have to sense that Clinton's mind is engaged with the continent, and that there will be some follow-through." Secretary of State Madeleine Albright

tention to apgrade relations with Africa. Perhaps with ideas like this in mind. Mr. Clinton reportedly added Rwanda to an itinerary deliberately studded with upbear story lines. The decision seemed to defer to East African leaders who felt dress the 1994 genocide of more than

500,000 Rwandan Tutsi. will not tour but which Mrs. Albright visited in December, Washington has suddenly sharpened its remarks about the of the new president, Laurem Kabila.

Mr. Clinton will meet him, along with several other East African leaders, in Uganda on the second leg of his trip. And Mrs. Albright's recent criticisms of Mr. Kabila appear aimed, at least in part, at preempting the kind of reproof she re-ceived from international rights groups and others for appearing to anoint Mr. Kabila as a member of a "new generation" of promising African leaders.

Sub-Saharan Africa's three largest countries, Congo, Nigeria and Sudan, are the three most notable absentees from Mr. Clinton's itinerary --- all because of what Washington regards as glaring violations of democratic principles.

The United States has been working with East African countries like Uganda, Ethiopia and Eritrea to weaken the govcriment of Sudan, which it regards as a promoter of militant Islamic fundamentalism and international terrorism.

And recently, Washington's strongest language about Africa has concerned Nigeria, which has long been under mil-

an Environmental Institute, said the 3,360-kilometer (2,100-mile) Paraguay-Parana Waterway project — a public works effort that has been compared in scale to the Channel Tunnel between England and France — threatens to damage the Pantanal, a vast and undeveloped area in southwestern Brazil that teems with endangered wildlife.

Brazil today believes that this project does not have much strategic value and would put the Pantanal at risk," Mr.

The remarks Friday, while not taken as a final withdrawal of Brazil's support, clearly threatened a project that has been a dream of its neighbors for at least a decade. Argentina, Bolivia, Paraguay and Uruguay see the project as a way to open up the South American interior to large-scale shipping, giving the region's economy a powerful boost.

The project involves deepening the, channels of the Paraguay and Parana River, allowing much larger ships to take on loads of cargo as far inland as the Bolivian border and carry them to Atlantic shipping lanes through the Rio de la Plata estuary. Environmentalists said the project would disrupt the seasonal flow of waters in the Pantanal, perhaps draining an area seen as one of the world's ecological treasures.

Mr. Martins said that after reviewing mountains of environmental and economic data, be concluded that the project failed to meet Brazilian environmental has already been working hard to dispel standards to protect the wetland zone of such concerns, saying that Washington is exotic animal and plant life, considered not "blowing smoke" with its stated inthe globe.

and abroad were quick to praise Mr. Martins's statement.

"I think it is a sign that segments in the Brazilian government are realizing that a visit to their region would be the kind of damage this project could incomplete without some attempt to ad- do," said Stephan Schwartzman, senior scientist for the Environmental Defense Fund in Washington, which took part in And as for Congo, which the president an environmental impact study of the

But experts said his statement could spot, the company has set np a tent on the said it signed on two people last year.

Brazilian support, which is considered necessary if the five-nation project is to continue. They pointed out that Mr. Martins indicated Brazil was still considered that we conglomerates don't expect to extend any workers, their goals are limited. The conglomerates don't expect to extend any workers, their technology said it signed on two people last year.

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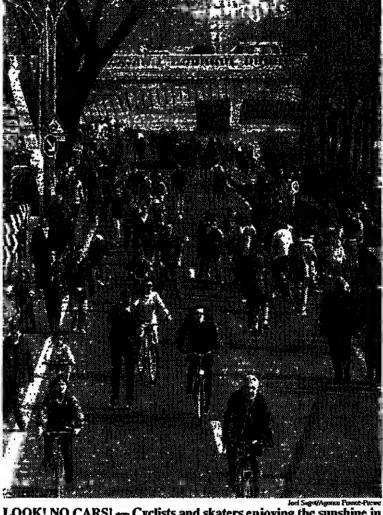
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to qualify Mr. Martins's statement. There are alternatives in the project that will continue to be studied," said Virginia Toniani, spokeswoman for the Brazilian Government Information Agency. "It's not that we don't want to continue with the project. It's just that it cannot continue if there will be risks to

Amazon Forest Fires Spread

the Pantanal.

At least 100 Venezuelan firefighters In Europe, by contrast, wages and were being sent to the border with fringe benefits have remained high. At least 100 Venezuelan firefighters Brazil's northern Roraima State on Sat-



LOOK! NO CARS! -- Cyclists and skaters enjoying the sunshine in Paris on Sunday. Several streets were closed to cars all afternoon.

RECRUITS: Desperate Firms Stroll the Beaches of Spring Break Crying Help Wanted

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Data Systems Corp., Coopers & Ly-brand LLP and Wachovia Corp. In addition to its participation in the career fair, IBM is spreading its name all over. town by advertising on planes that fly over the beach. And on the Gnlf Coast in Panama City, another spring break hot

offers; rather they are after the names of Recognizing that students have come some prospective employees so they can here with the goal of losing, rather than get resumes and possibly set up inter-

however, they shouldn't get their hopes up. Few of the companies that partieipated in earlier years could recall hiring any workers; Lucent Technologies Inc.

few minutes talking to them.

Employers are using a number of giveaways to lure students off the beach, people they can be laid back and cool. out of bars and into their booths. Among

While finding qualified workers is a major reason companies are here, it is not the only one. In today's family views after the students return to school. ing the beach and walking the streets to friendly, hip work world, lifestyle conif the previous fairs are any indication, try to persuade the revelers to spend a siderations have catapulted to the forefront of worker concerns. So it is incumbent npon companies to show 'It's important to portray an image,'

JOBLESS: Even as Business Booms, European Employers Hold Off on Hiring at Home

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major threat to Chancellor Helmut Kohl in an election this September.
The upheaval is almost a mirror image

of the U.S. experience. Hundreds of thousands of jobs were eliminated in the United States in the last decade, but the unemployment rate has declined, partly broadened over the weekend as Venezuela firefighters prepared to help battle the devastating blazes, Reuters reported from Sao Paulo but manufacturers have avoided hiring

ports are soaring, the domestic economy remains anemic. Retail sales actually declined a bit last year.

After an acquisition binge, German banks are cutting jobs to improve profits. The dominant telephone company, forced into competition for the first time, is shedding 60,000 jobs.

The divided world of renewed dy-

namism and fewer jobs is on display in Metzingen, a southern German city that is home to Hugo Boss AG. Originally known for its avant-garde "Our indus casual clothing, the company is branch in Europe." wherever possible, and the service ing into more conservative apscale ap-

economy has not picked up the slack.

The trends are particularly stark in Germany, Europe's biggest economy duction outside Germany, mostly to one company after another. and most powerful exporter. Though ex- companies in Poland, Romania and Moulinex SA, a French company that Slovenia. Only about 20 percent of the manufactures coffeemakers and other

Joachim Vogt, the chief executive.
"Now you just have to go 15 miles across the Oder River," to Poland.
"Our core competence is to bring odorless french-fries machine. Annual

products to market and create brands on an international level," Mr. Vogt said. and the comp
"Our industry doesn't need to produce in four years."

Across Europe, corporate restructur-

clothing is produced in Germany, half the level of five years ago.

"It used to be that if you wanted

kitchen ware, lost bundreds of millions of dollars between 1993 and 1996. Under new management, it closed two factoworkers who cost \$2.50 an hour, you had ries, announced plans to eliminate 2,600 to travel 10,000 miles to Asia," said jobs over three years and refocused on

> sales stabilized at \$1.3 billion last year, and the company showed its first profit

Porsche, on the other hand, got into trouble when recession hit the United States, then its largest market, and a plunge in the dollar's value pushed up sticker prices there. That would have been bad enough, but Porsche's production lines were behind the times. Its Age, more than sex, shapes attitudes cars took too long to design and build. Wendelin Wiedeking was hired as chief executive in 1993 and hired Japanese to re-engineer the production system. The number of hours it took to assemble a Porsche was cut in half, and 'Any time there is a change like there

many workers were laid off. Today, Porsche's worldwide work Crosse, Wisconsin. "Someone comes said B. J. Sande, a 32-year-old mechanover and the house is a mess, they don't look at the man and think, "What a slob." Someone comes said B. J. Sande, a 32-year-old mechanocomes ical engineer from Chattaroy. Washinglook at the man and think, "What a slob." They had been some some growing pams, "force has actually increased to 8,100 people, from its low of 6,800 in 1994. But when Porsche began running out of ton, who is single. "But as a whole I force has actually increased to 8,100 because of a surge in demand for the Boxster, Mr. Wiedeking had to choose: Build a new plant and hire more work-

Valmet Corp. of Finland, which has only one in 10 corporate officers and are going to the day care, or wherever women surveyed agreed that it takes two long run assembly lines for Saab Autofewer than 3 percent of all chief exthey are taken care of by somebody else. incomes to get by these days; about half mobile AB and General Motors Corp.'s By the time you get done with your job, the respondents - men and women - Adam Opel AG subsidiary, offered to demand for Boxsters fell, Porsche could working mothers do about 20 bours of don't get enough time to spend with housework a week, down from 30 hours your wife anymore, either, because you only she could afford to —but so did one after its one-year contract and let Valimet worry about the high cost of layoffs.

overwhelming, and 300 Finns now assemble about 5,000 Boxsters a year.

CAREERS: Americans Hail Increased Equality of Sexes but Feel Pressure of Fulltime Jobs and Less Family Life

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understand the problems women face, And the survey shows that in some areas, the reality of daily existence for twocareer families still has not caught up

with changed attitudes. The Washington Post in collaboration with researchers from Harvard University and the Henry J. Kaiser Family with wives who work outside the bome. Yet household duties remain sharply divided along sex lines. Working mothers still do twice as much housework as their husbands, and more than half of all women questioned expressed dissaus-

husbands provide around the house. 'I think men are beginning to get it, at least some are, some of the time," said altered lives at work and at home.

don't. My husband just doesn't seem to centage of women ages 25 to 54 who gests that Americans have yet to adjust Age, more than sex, shapes attitudes get it when I tell him that I feel I'm worked outside the home climbed to 76 to the real workloads of two-career toward the changing roles of men and I'm the one who always has an eye out for our son, making sure he's eating on Spain in their recent book "Balancing in the survey results. "I work, my busba

The survey shows that differences in Most men in the polls — a series of tween the sexes. Men are more likely to five nationwide surveys sponsored by support increases in defense spending; women are more favorably disposed toward health care for uninsured children. Women are more likely than men to be Foundation — said they were happy to religious and to value close friendships; share child care and domestic chores men are more likely than women to want successful careers and wealth, and more

likely to value an "active sex life." But rather than emphasizing their differences and blaming many of life's problems on each other, men and women ecutives are women. share a sense of conflict and confusion

faction with the amount of help their about how to make it all work. In the past three decades, most Americans agree, changing sex roles have

Government statistics confirm what two decades ago, while their husbands are doing 10 hours a week, up from 5 hours, Ms. Bianchi and Ms. Spain say.

The world of work is increasingly a man's and a woman's poration. "But there are times they world. From 1970 to 1995, the per-

between 1983 and 1996, while the percentage of female doctors increased to 26 percent from 16 percent.

Women make up nearly half of all entry- and mid-level managers in American corporations, up from 17 percent in 1972. But the executive suite remains disproportionately male: A 1995 survey of Fortune 500 corporations found that

house than their fathers ever did. But the per, do whatever, and then you have to must, burden still falls on women: On average, run your kids somewhere else. You

"I work, my busband works, I come improved their lives.

The percentage of lawyers and judges home and I work — I clean the house and who are women doubled to 29 percent I do my laundry," said Susan Gehrke, has been in my generation, there is al-44, a tenant assistant for the elderly in La ways going to be some growing pains." slob.

Mr. Lindow, 35, the Green Bay wareare both working. You're lucky if you in five men surveyed. Today, even cager to see your wife one or two hours a reer crises are gender-neutral. day. What kind of quality time is

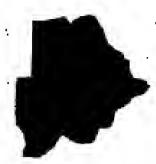
than a woman, and that most men don't always on duty. When we're at home, percent from 50 percent, report the so- couples with children, and some resent- women, the survey suggests. Younger ciologists Suzanne Bianchi and Daphne ment, nostalgia and fatigue are reflected men and women were far more likely than their elders to say the alteration has

> They look at her and say, 'What a think it's moving toward the direction of making things easier, better." Powerful social and economic forces house operations manager, whose wife also works full-time, said: "Your kids these tensions. Two out of three men and Valmet Corp. of Finland

At home, men do more around the you've got to rush home and make supouse than their fathers ever did. But the per, do whatever, and then you have to must.

said they work mostly because they start assembling Porsches within nine months, using the Saab assembly lines. If One out of every five working women

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A Step Forward on Cuba

stepping forward cautiously in its Cuba policy. It is altering travel, export and financial regulations to make it easier for Americans of Cuban origin to reach out to their needy relatives in Communist-ruled Cuba with visits. dollars and medicines and medical supplies. These changes will bring substantial humanitarian and personal benefits to many thousands of divided families.

This is the second effort on this agenda for this administration. Its first fell to the rage stirred by the downing of two small and unarmed Miami-based Cuban American aircraft by Fidel Castro's warplanes in 1996. It took Pope John Paul II's visit to Havana earlier this year to warm the American political climate enough to embolden the administration to

make a second try.
Some Cuban Americans and others still oppose any measure that allows Fidel Castro to convert the intended full benefits for Cuban citizens into even lesser bits of relief for his personal rule. To minimize this possibility, the administration is wrapping

The Clinton administration is itself in the Pope's mantle and funneling the new dollars and medicines to private individuals and to private institutions like the church. Thus is bumanitarianism plausibly rendered politically acceptable.

This is fine but it is not all. The Cold War is over. Fidel Castro's hostile foteign policy is gone. His police state is running on borrowed time. But the basic American Cold War policy of the embargo is still in effect.

Many people do not realize the purpose of an embargo. It is not to keep food and the rest out of the hands of the elite, which keeps itself at the head of the queue. It is to drive common citizens to revolt.

In almost 40 years, the embargo has reinforced Communist terror and misrule to inflict pain on the Cuban people. It has not, however, led to

overthrow of the regime.

What Bill Clinton is now trying to do is to soften some of the harsb effects of the embargo - the embargo and communism. The problem of the embargo itself remains to be addressed.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Sham Campaign Reform

The House is scheduled this week to take up the topic of campaign finance. The leadership has put together a mock reform bill to create the impression of action but none of the risk. The legislation contains a couple of poison pills, including an andlabor provision, that pretty well guarantee that most Democrats will vote against it and that it will never make

Just in case, it bas also been written in such a way that it would not achieve reform even if it were enacted. It supposedly bans the soft money that was the source of most of the excesses in the last election, but in fact it would simply move the collection and spending of such money from the federal to the harder-to-track

The purpose of the bill is simply to provide opponents of reform with cover. It gives them the chance, if they want, to vote for something that will bear the label of reform. That produces what for many of them is the perfect result. They can continue to rail against the present system, secure in the knowledge that it will not

Senate Republican leaders likewise

finessed the issue earlier this year. They, too, first tried a poison pill. When that failed, and it became apparent that a majority of the Senate was prepared to vote in favor of reform, they fillibustered.

House Democrats are likely to be given only one chance to alter the leadership bill. Their current plan is to use that to offer a substitute - a bill that, like the one blocked in the Senate, would in fact ban soft money. It is the right test, it will put members on record. Who knows? It could even attract the same kind of majority that the bill did in the Senate, in which case the leadership would probably pull it off the floor.

Republicans spent much of last year deploring, with good cause, the fund-raising excesses of the 1996 election, particularly on the Democratic side. But the fact is that they have spent most of this year protecting the system of little more than pretend regulation under which those

excesses occurred. The result is that, for all the pious rhetoric in both parties, the excesses ahead are going to be worse than the

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

Boys of Mammon

Dodgers from the descendants of Walter O'Malley last Thursday, there was much wringing of hands over the fact that the era of family ownership in major league baseball had finally ended, and that a new era of exclusively corporate ownership was at hand. Yet before too many tears are shed, let one truth be known. Baseball owners break fans' hearts, and that aspect of the game is not likely

to change. It was Walter O'Malley who brought grief to Brooklyn, Horace Stoneham who silenced the old Polo Grounds, Clark Griffith who transported the Washington Senators to Minneapolis. Let us also not forget the wandering Athletics and the peripa-

tetic Braves. Baseball has always been a business run, with rare exceptions, by propri-etors with an aversion to red ink far stronger than their professed loyalty to the traditions, rbythms and solidifying virtues of the game. Among these vir-tues has been baseball's demonstrated ability over the years to create a powerful emotional connection between team and community, each enlarging the other — to wit, the Dodgers and Brooklyn, an organic relationship casually sundered by Mr. O'Malley's

departure. Fans keep worrying about whether the new breed will be more or less respectful of tradition than the old. The question seems both touching and naive. There is no disguising the fact that the media moguls who have bought into baseball have not done so because they love the game but because they believe the teams can serve their larger

strategic ambitions. Years ago, for example, Ted Turner

When the media tycoon Rupert bought the Atlanta Braves to provide TBS superstation, which in time became the foundation of his cable

> Mr. Turner tried to block the sale of the Dodgers to Mr. Murdocb even as - delicious irony bere - Mr. Murdocb was borrowing a page from the Turner playbook. Mr. Murdoch wanted the Dodgers in part to provide his regional sports network in California with a marquee attraction. The same impulse explains the interest of Cablevision, which already owns the New York Rangers and Knicks. in acquiring a piece of the New York Yankees.

What all this means for the game itself is unclear, but the possibilities are unsettling. Mr. Murdocb, as we all know, thinks globally or not at all.

Will he be tempted to speed up the stately rhythms so beloved by bleacherites to make the game more appetizing to a foreign andience that seems to have developed a love affair with the rush-rush thrills of professional basketball? Will he pusb for Olympic participation by American professionals? Will he insist on a real World Series," involving teams from, say, Latin America. Japan and even China?

All that seems hard to believe. But keep in mind that the Anaheim Angels, the Chicago Cubs, the Atlanta Braves and the Los Angeles Dodgers are now owned by media empires, while another empire stalks the Yankees.

What matters to the people who run these empires and talk reverently of 'the game' is, in the end, the numbers. That is just what mattered to Mr. O'Malley and, if history is a guide, that is all that will matter to Mr. Murdoch. -THE NEW YORK TIMES

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China's Real Agents of Change? Just Plain Folks

BEIJING — China may soon let out a few dissidents to appeare the United States before President Bill taken with a grain of salt, because more dissidents can just be arrested. Fortunately, though, the dissidents are not the only agents of change here. In fact, they are not even the most important ones.

The most important ones are those whom the government does not know. and cannot arrest, but who represent powerful trends that, over time, will force the Chinese government to either

loosen its grip or risk instability.

Xn Guilan is a 56-year-old schoolteacher from Heng Dao. In her village, like others, you find many successful peasant farmers' families living in three attached bouses: The first is a small mud-brick hovel where the family lived under Mao; the second is a larger, redbrick structure, built under Deng Xiaoping, and the third is a white-brick home with painted tiles around the front

door, built in the Jiang Zemin era.

Because of Deng Xiaoping we are getting richer," Mrs. Xu explained. Both my sons work in the town now, one in a bank, one as a teacher. The big change for my family is that we have a color TV. My mother died 10 years ago. She liked to watch TV. If only she had lived 10 more years, she would have seen the color TV."

There are millions of Xn Guilans in percent from Beijing the more inde-

By Thomas L. Friedman

Clinton's June visit. This should be China today. As long as the economy soars, the government can get away with just liberalizing the economics and not politics. But sooner or later this economy will slow. There will be pain.

That is when China will oeed a goverument that is legitimate and can say to its people. "We're all in this to-gether," and that will allow people to let off steam. Democratization is critical for managing the down cycles. God help Beijing if Mrs. Xu's sons lose their jobs in the town and have to return to the village. They will be as dangerous as dissidents.

Zhu Zhuohong is the village chief of Zhen Zi, a fishing village.

He won re-election with pure pork barrel politics. Using income from the town's factory, which processes seaweed and scallops, be was able to pave the road into the village, build a new village center, set up a kindergarten, remodel the school, get tap water into everyone's bome and provide a stipend for everyone over age 60.

"Almost 95 percent of the money for these projects comes from the sea. be said, referring to the town's prof-

itable fishery.

Well, the longer Mr. Zhn gets 95 percent of his income from the sea and 5

pendent he becomes from Beijing. That is the beginning of decentralization, and it is going on in villages all over China. Wang Hongzhe is a 49-year-old farmer in the village of Hou Shi.

His bouse is small, bot he has a stereo and a television. I asked him if he wouldn't like a telephone, too.

"Yoo only oeed a phooe if you're going to be a leader," be said. "But I bope I will have one in five years, after my son gets married."

Every Chinese villager we met had a television - which is one-way communication from the government to the people. But many, like Mr. Wang, would like phones and are getting them. Phones are two-way communications — from people to people. When China's 900 million villagers get phones and start calling each other, this will inevitably become a more open

Lastly, there is my friend's cook. His salary is \$200 a month.

Every morning before work be goes down to the Beijing stock exchange to buy and sell stocks. Some 25 million

Chinese now own stock.

The Chinese stock markets are poorly regulated and casinolike. Unless the government installs some

real regulatory systems, one day they are going to crash. The biggest urban riots in China in the past few years have been led by disgruntled stockholders.

These four people, and the trends they embody, are dots on the Chinese landscape - dots that will create pressure for a more open, law-based society.

They raise two questions: When will a Chinese leader decide that to maintain the stability of China he has to. connect these dots with lines that constitute a framework for democratic transition? And even if someone connects the dots and makes a framework for a more democratic China, who will fill in the contents?

Ultimately, you cannot have democracy without democrats. Where will they come from? One of the most striking things about China today is the ideological vacuum left by the death of communism. Some Chinese are trying to turn to religion or superstition; others opt for the most crass, unrestrained

Talk of making money is everywhere (partly because that is all people are allowed to talk about). China also never had a British colonial administration, à la India or Hong Kong, or American neocolonialism, à la Japan and South Korea, that could leave behind an elite and a bureaucracy steeped

in liberal constitutionalism. China has gone from Mao to Milken without ever stopping at Madison. That is going to be a problem.

The New York Times.

Africa the Victim Begins Coming to Its Own Rescue

WASHINGTON -- It is the W season for Africa. With the Cold War over and apartheid gone, the continent has receded from high-profile American attention, except when it's on fire. But any American president has national-interest as well as political reasons to engage. This is wby Bill Clinton is investing a prodigious 11 days of presiden-

tial presence in Africa. The results of American participation in what amounts to one of the great international rescue endeavors will belp determine some substantial part of Africa's

future, and a part of America's. The United Nations, with 54 mostly poor African members. is organizing to tackle in Africa what it calls the world's primary

development "challenge." That formulation might make many people expect a humanitarian appeal. The news is, however, that Africa is no longer coming on as a victim of historical forces asking for another round of alms. It is presenting itself as a region finally ready to take the prime responsibility for

pulling itself out of the mire. and rampant poverty, Africa is a place transformed, UN documents assert. After a decade and a half (1979-1993) of collansing incomes, its growth in the last three years bas averaged 4 percent. Last year 11 coun-

tries hit 6 percent. Growth is concentrated in energy and mining sectors that do not directly touch on how most people outside these narrow sectors live. But the turnaround is still notable. It comes despite sizable foreign aid cutbacks and an annual debt repayment of \$33 billion, a

quarter of total income. These encouraging results are attributed first to a radical. region-wide economic policy reversal. The state is loosening its economic hold. The elite are abandoning Africa's historical alibis - imperialist and natural victimization - for avoiding

WASHINGTON — Gary

Hart on the street in Wash-

ington, he seems like a ghost.

He's grayer, and he has a rue-

ful look around the mouth and

eyes that sets him apart in this

who got caught with a woman

on a yacht named "Monkey Business," is still a pariah

while President Monkey Busi-

ness is more popular than

Mr. Hart was not offered

political rehabilitation in the

form of an appointment by

President Bill Clinton, who

was probably loath to see car-

toons about the pair chasing

chicks together. And Mr. Hart

has resisted the scuzzy redemp-

tion offered by the scandal food

chain. He has not written a

confessional book or become a

He even skipped Time

magazine's recent anniversary

gala, knowing all the photo-

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neuvering to snap his picture

with another guest, Donna Rice

Hughes, now reconfigured as

suburban mom and Christian

Mr. Hart, who lives in Den-

ver with his wife, Lee, does not

talk about Mrs. Hughes, except

to refer to her in passing as "the

doesn't say That Woman.)

activist against Internet porn.

media analyst on cable TV.

It seems odd that Mr. Hart,

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By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

tough national decisions. Globalization, with all its uncertainties, is touching Africa, too.

Corroboration comes from a couple of Africa hands - former Representative Howard Wolpe, a Clinton Africa envoy, and the Overseas Development Council's David F. Gordon.

Writing in the World Policy Journal, they say they detect a "quiet renaissance" that is "slowly transforming the African continent,

Some countries have become "failed states" but others are moving into democratic and market phases. The authors

are still not back to where they were 25 years ago. But their progress is invoked to show that African decline, far from being inevitable, is reversible, and that "there is nothing inherently 'dysfunctional' about African culture - even in eth-

nically diverse settings." Here the authors are speaking for many people concerned and knowledgeable about Africa. They are troubled less by the African condition than by the negative post-Cold War Amer-

al opinion (1) by their focus on the disaster countries, AIDS, genocide and runaway population growth, and (2) by their neglect of stories of economic and democratic renewal. There is too much blaming the messenger for my taste.

Their more interesting critique is of a certain "unconscious mind-set. Ethnic conflicts in the West-

ern world are dignified as ex-pressions of "ethnic nationalthat can be dealt with, Meanwhile, similar conflicts in

Africa are regarded as "tribal"

They fault the press and and cultural in origin and as writers like Robert Kaplan for resistant to treatment. The two souring public and congression- "writers decry the "Afro-pessimist" claim that foreign aid to Africa is inherently wasteful.

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Is Africa unfairly burdened with low foreign expectations? I am not sure. America was for long an equal-opportunity bystander to genocide in Bosnia as well as in Rwanda, for example, Still, how does one explain wby U.S. aid to Africa has fallen from \$1.3 billion in 1994

to \$700 million in 1997? President Clinton's trip offers Americans an opportunity to explore contemporary Africa, and themselves.

NATO Expansion: Making Matters Worse

PARIS — Once upon a time, NATO enlargement seemed likely 10 provide the long-overdue great debate on American foreign policy. Now it seems that there will be no such debate and Baltic peoples may think it since no one cares about foreign means. The Article V problem last week as they postponed

considering the issue. The administration bas relaunched NATO enlargement as a choice between "appeasement" of Russia and solidarity with the brave East Europeans. as well as a step in an American-sponsored unification of

The cost of enlargement the only issue that might have companied by ever-firmer as-

for nearly everything anyway.

made senators hesitate - has been swept aside by a convenient- series of ever-shrinking Pentagon cost estimates, acsurances that Europe will pay

No one in the U.S. Senate wishes to be recorded as voting against security for Poles, Czecbs or Hungarians - or for the citizens of the Baltic states. There has been a wink and a

nod to nervous senators to sug-

Monkey Business Then and Now

By Maureen Dowd

Given the mass shrug over

the scandals clattering around

Mr. Clinton, Mr. Hart must

be lost those five days in 1988

that he calls "brutal, worse

than anything Clinion's gone through. I watched journalists

Mr. Hart's work still brings

him to Washington. I've

become animals, literally."

He can never get back what

feel that he sinned too soon.

antee does not automatically mean what the East European ment to go to war to defend NATO's new members — is to

A better course, never explored, would have been to seek an agreement by which the se-

That would have incorporated the NATO guarantee of the independence of the former Warsaw Pact countries, but in an unprovocative way.

Instead, NATO's military organization will be weakened by

By William Pfaff

gest that a NATO security guar- a large and disruptive program be reviewed later. Many of us have vainly ob-

jected that NATO enlargement makes Ceotral and Eastern Europe less rather than more secure. The nations brought into NATO will feel better off, but those conspicuously left out are worse off, and this is above all true for the three Baloc states.

curity and borders of all nations of the area were mutually and independently guaranteed by Russia and the NATO powers.

men like Hubert Humphrey and Ed Muskie and George

McGovern and Jack Javiis. If

you put the names of those

senators against the names of

Mr. Hart believes politi-

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of integrating new members and their forces, and the alliance will be less able to make decisions. Expansion was first propurpose to the organization after the Cold War. As part of the same effort, NATO's leadership

and the U.S. government have tried to reposition the alliance for missions outside Europe, in the belief, as Senator Richard Lugar phrased it, that unless NATO went "out of area" it

would "go out of business."
NATO's actual out-of-area capabilities are slender. German public opinion is bostile to such missions. The French are highly skeptical. And while the Poles and other new members will do what they are asked, they are not joining NATO to solve African or Middle Eastern problems nor to fight drugs, crime, terrorism or nuclear proliferation.

The fundamental problem in NATO expansion is that by plainly identifying Russia as the potential enemy, it contributes to making the new Russia into an enemy, which serves no one's interest.

George Kennan, who in 1947 formulated the successful policy for Soviet Russia's containment, has repeatedly warned that NATO enlargement will damage relations with Russia and influence for the worse perceptions within Russia of the West's intentions.

Owen Harries, editor of The National Interest quarterly, has drawn attention to the assurances given Moscow that if Russia withdrew from the

ted German unification, NATO would oot move eastward.

Mr. Kennan confirms this. He writes, "We did not, I am sure. intend to trick the Russians; but the actual determinants of our later behavior — lack of coordination of political with military policy, and the amateurism of later White House diplomacy - would scarcely have been more creditable on our part than a real intention to deceive.

Mr. Kennan also writes of the ignorance in treating Russia as "inherently and incorrigibly expansionist." This "grossly oversimplifies and misconstrees much of the bistory of Russian diplomacy of the czar-ist period, be says. To generalize about Russia's present government and future behavior on the basis of the wartime and postwar record of the Soviet

Union is a dangerous error. As Bill Clinton indicated in a 'nean; statement Friday, expansion is re researche supported as part of a larger actes to 134 agenda, the so-called new At - insufficient lanticism. This identifies an enlarging Atlanoc alliance as part atlan of vite of a process of U.S. led feder- in study find ation or integration of the democracies, seen as the next step at only that in a development that began with aough vitar Woodrow Wilson's 14 Points.

The Senate's reluctance to amendations the senate's returning debate such matters would siquate to p seem to reflect a remarkably : Paple, Alt divided consciousness on foreign policy. The same Seoate majority that favors enlargement has displayed mounting hostility toward commitments to the UN, the IMF, Bosnia and in the Kosovo crisis. A debate might at least compel the Senate to confront its contradictions.

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cians deserve more privacy, but he does not think the press Warsaw Pact states and accep-Los Angeles Times Syndicate. is wrong to cover Mr. Clin-

1898: Carrier Pigeons

PARIS - The Transatlantic Steamship Company is organizing a carrier-pigeon service for its Atlantic liners, and it is hoped that these birds will be useful in informing people on land of the breakdown of machinery or other accidents which may happen in midocean. The recent accident to

1923: Church vs. Reds MOSCOW - The trial of Archbisbop Cepliak and 14 other members of the Roman Catholic clergy, who were arrested for resisting Red requisition of the sacred vessels, began here in the Headquarters of the Red Trade Unions, formerly known as the Nobles' Club. The trial will probably end in the conviction

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talked to him several times, over lunch and on the phone, in the last few months. He finally agreed to talk publicly,

to me and to John Kennedy Jr. for George magazine. Mr. Hart (wishfully, perhaps) thinks America may be getting more Latin, more European. "The reason the American public is shutting this out is because it is grow-

ing up. finding out there is not a Santa Claus. "When I got out of the race, I predicted this. I said if we as a country go down this path, we will destroy our leadership. It was a Washington journalism myth that people were demanding to know everything. There have to be some things between two people you don't

want to know. He claims the hyperscrulady in question." (At least he tiny has produced a Congress of midgets, "I served with

ion's travails.
'I'd just put it on page six or IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO eight. We've lost proportionality. I was on Fox News talking about NATO expansion

and they broke in to say Robert Bennett might not use Paula Jones's sexual history in a motion. That's breaking news? "If there is a pattern of behavior that affects an individual's ability to govern, it's important for the public to know. But most of these socalled sexual issues or private issues are between spouses

and families. I resented, and

my wife resented, people in-

terposing themselves in our

relationship and telling her how she ought to feel. "It got so out of hand I was out of the race in five days. I did not have the protection of the White House and the immense staff. I made a mistake. I should not have been in the position I was in. But I did not think it was bad enough to have the chance denied me to

lead the country." The New York Times the vessel Champagne induced the company to take this step.

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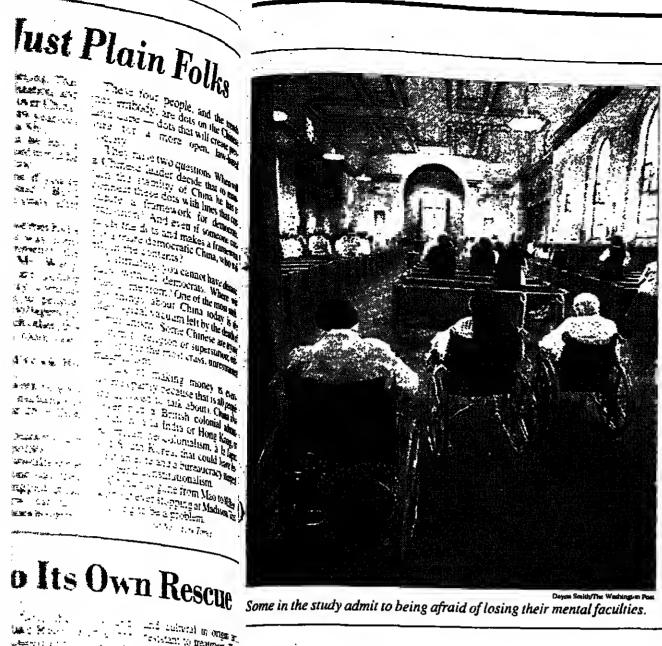
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Alzheimer Study Is a Final Act of Faith

By Caryle Murphy Washington Post Service

ASHINGTON - Sitting in the Baltimore convent that bas been ber bome for 60 years, Maura Eichner says she has "a healthy respect" for th. But the tall, hive-eyed Catholic nun admits to fearing something else even more — losing her mind.

"It is frightening" when one no longer remembers "all that they had for a lifetime," said Eichner, whose lifetime has included teaching English literature for 40 years and publishing scores of poems. "We all have friends and dear ones who are suffering from some kind of mental difficulty.

So when the \$2-year-old Eichner was asked to give away ber brain upon ber death, in the interest of saving minds. she readily agreed. Eichner is one of several bundred elderly School Sisters of Notre Dame across the United States, who are participating in the Nun Study. an effort to understand the dreaded disease of Alzheimer's.

The 678 nuns who signed up for the study in 1990 - 272 have since died agreed to undergo yearly physical and mental assessments, open their personal records in convent archives and, in a move one sister calls "helping from the grave." num over their brains at death for examination.

The sisters are the largest brain donor population in the world and already have led researchers to important clues about Alzheimer's. In recent interviews, Eichner and other sisters portrayed their

decision to join the study as a seamless extension of their lifelong religious commitment to serve. They said their faith and spirituality, nurtured in hours of prayer over decades, help them ac-cept aging and death, but do not erase their human fears.

Several shared a sentiment expressed by Virginia Geiger, 83, who still teaches two philosophy courses at Notre Dame College of Maryland. "Intellectually and spiritually, this is the best time of our lives," she said. "I wouldn't change it for the world."

Medical researchers like to study bomogenous groups, and nuns were made to order: no smoking, oo drinking, no pregnancies; similar lifestyles, occupations, health care and diet. To qualify, sisters had to be born before 1916. Financed by private money and S2 million from the National Institute on Aging, the study is run by the Sanders-Brown Center on Aging at the University of Kentucky under the direction of Dr. David Snowdon, associate professor of preventive medicine.

Already, researchers have found that some deceased nuns whose hrains had the telltale lesions of Alzheimer's also showed low linguistic ability in aotohiographies written in their 20s, an intriguing link for further study. Also, a higher incidence of dementia was found among nuns whose brains showed evidence not only of Alzheimer's, but also of small strokes - suggesting that symptoms associated with Alzheimer's are instead caused by strokes.

The 43 Baltimore area sisters in the study (20 others have died) were recently tested at Villa Assumpta, a re-tirement home for the order in northern Baltimore, by Sisters Gabriel Mary Spaeth and Marlene Manney. They travel from convent to convent gauging balance, hand strength and mental agil-

ity. Among other things, sisters were asked to identify pictures of everyday ohjects, answer basic questions, write a short essay, set an alarm clock, open childproof bottles, decide how many pills make up a given dosage and select the right coins for a purchase. The part which most of them dread

most" is when they are asked to remember 10 words they have just seen on flashcards. Spaeth said. "That's not easy for anyone. They've all been reachers and to them, seven out of 10 is 70 percent, which is not good to them."

Mary Gilbert Hefele, 90, a first-grade

teacher for 40 years, complained after taking her tests: "My writing was terrible. I was ashamed of the writing." Like most of the 43 Baltimore nuns in the study, Hefele, who has been in her order for 69 years, lives unassisted in her own room. Joining the study was not a hig deal for her: "I had given myself to God. I felt I could give my brain to help somebody else have a better life." "I don't feel different from when I

was 85," she said, adding that her spiritual life helps her accept aging. Even before the study, Mary Helen Fellenz, 87, had donated ber body to

medical research. "So they're going to

have to fight about who gets the body and who gets the brain," she said. Fellenz is a music teacher who spent 32 years as a missionary in Japan and

months, she also has had "great trouble in resisting being discouraged over feeling my aging." But that feeling "doesn't last too long. I know that it's all in God's plan. I go to the chapel, or pray in my room. We have so many helps in. our religion. Those sacraments are so powerful you can almost feel it."

ary Eileen Cawley, 90, wears two hearing aids and uses a magnifying glass to read. "It's very inconvenient sometimes, but I count my blessings and don't brood over my infirmities,"

she said. "As I grow older, I think of all the members of my family that I'll be seeing. soon again because I guess I'm not long for this life anymore. When the Lord calls me, I hope I'll be ready to go,

A few miles down the road from Villa Assumpta, the convent at Notre Dame College is home to other study par-ticipants, like Eichner, Geiger. Mary Coralie Ullrich, 84, and Marie Xavier Looymans, 83, who retired three years ago as an elementary school teacher and now does secretarial work in the college's education office.

"I don't know wbat's coming in the future with old age," Looymans said.
"It's more the prior to dying than dying that is the frightening part. But I just know that I'm not doing it alone, and that gives me peace, just to let it be in His hands." As for giving up ber brain, "I'll be up there, looking down while they're doing it. I won't feel it."

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New York Times Service - Sanother Rumb s EW YORK - For Still four doese years, neurobiolo-- - 1. 5 ad to Abra gists clung to a fundamental truth: once animals, or people, reach adulthood, they may lose brain cells but they can

never grow new ones. There were a couple of exceptions - in birds and rats - but the thought was that these were peculiarities of nature and not evidence of a general prin-

dogma has been overnmed, paign who studies learning Scientists have found that monteys are constantly making new caling the brain cells in the hippocampus,

: : : : : Russan forming long-term memories. Experts say they fully expect - ist of that humans are no different and ் படு கள்ளின் they, too, make new brain the makes cells in adult life. That raises the added two tracer chemicals to The Proceedings of the Na- He wondered whether the ded, "people thought that

ive disorders like Alzheimer's or Parkinson's disease and injuries like those resulting from the brain to grow replacement

The new study was by Dr. marked hy both chemicals. Elizabeth Gould of Princeton University, Dr. Bruce S. McEwen of Rockefeller Unichanging the organization of the adult brain," said Dr. Wil-liam Greenough. a psycholitations Worse But now, in experiments that ogist at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Charaand memory in rats.

Dr. Fred Gage, a neuro-biologist at the Salk Institute in San Diego, said the implications were 'fabulously interesting."

The investigators, working with marmoset monkeys,

labeled cells that were divid- mone cortisol have a diminstroke or trauma by prompting Cells that were born during traumatic stress disorder, Dr. adult life and that grew into mature brain cells would be

With this method, the researchers looked for, and new brain cells in the hipfound, new cells in the anversity in New York and their imals' hippocampi, Dr. Gould colleagues. "It means that estimated that thousands of there is a new mechanism for such cells were being made each day. She said she suspected other cells were dying to make room for new ones, but her study did not count oumbers of dying cells.

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ing, the process that gives rise ished hippocampus. So do to new cells, and one that people with recurrent depreslabeled mature nerve cells, sion and people with post-Gould said. It might be possible, she reasoned, that monkeys under stress might decrease their production of pocampus, making that area

of the brain shrink. To test the hypothesis, Dr. Gould and her colleagues stressed monkeys by putting a male monkey who had always lived alone into a small cage where another male was living. The intruder was terrified and cowered in the cage, with a rapidly beating heart. When was particularly in- Dr. Gould and ber colleagues examined the brains of the found that after just one hour shown that when people are of this stress, the monkeys under stress, the hippocam- were making substantially

As so often happens in science, the seeds for the new view of brain regeneration were sown decades ago, but were largely ignored. In the 1960s, Dr. Joseph Altman, a Purdue University scientist who is now retired, reported that rats make new brain cells brain cells and that the new throughout their lives. The cells were in the hippocam-

pus and in the olfactory bulb,

an area used to sense smells,

he noted. "No one paid attention,"

Dr. Gould said. Twenty years later, Dr. Fernando Nottebohm, who is bead of the laboratory of animal behavior at Rockefeller University, asked whether brain cells were being born in reason, Dr. Gould frightened monkeys, they adult birds. Bird brains, he noticed, grow and shrink with the seasons, swelling when the animals need to learn new songs to attract mates and

ing seasons could represent the actual growth of new brain cells.

N a series of painstaking experiments, Dr. Nottebohm showed that hirds constantly make new cells replace old ones that die. "There was a program of constant brain rejuvenation." Dr. Nottebohm said. "Parts factory hulb are born on the persuaded by the findings in of the brain were oo different from the liver or skin. Old cells died and new ones took

In 1984, Dr. Nottebohm organized a meeting in New said. Those that end up in the though Dr. Gould is the first York that he called Hope for a New Neurology. A colleague at Rockefeller, Dr. Arturo Alvarez-Buylla, recalled that Dr. Nottebohm "was pushing the idea that in the adult brain, there is no impediment to the formation of oew oeurons. ample, people with tumors study is being published in shrinking after they had bred. But, Dr. Alvarez-Boylla ad-

tional Academy of Sciences. swelling brains during breed- was bordering on fantasy." Nonetheless, some re-

searchers persisted, showing mans could not be growing in rats and mice and in tree new brain cells, and certainly shrews that new brain cells not in an area like the hipare born throughout life, at pocampus. "People believed least in the hippocampus and olfactory bulb. Dr. Alvarez- for a lifetime, you need a stable Buylla, for example, recently brain," Dr. Gould said. "If found that adult mice make cells are constantly dying and 5,000 to 10,000 oew brain new ones being produced, howcells each hour. The brain would that be possible?" cells that end up in the olwalls of the ventricles, cav- other species. "Why oot ities in the brain that are filled monkeys?" she asked. Others with cerebrospinal fluid, also began seeking and find-They travel in 'little trains of ing brain regeneration in

Dr. Gould, however, was cells" to their destination, he monkeys. Dr. Gage said, alhippocampus are born there. to publish her findings.

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Osteoporosis Is Linked to Vitamin D Deficiency

By Jane E. Brody

The Say To EW YORK - A new study strongly suggests that widespread deficiencies of vitamin D may play a hig role in causing the bonedenciencies of vitamin D may play a hig role in causing the bone-distance of the plant of the pl

ficiencies to two factors of growing importance: insufficient dietary intake and inadequate exposure to sunlight, which stimulates production of vitamin D in the skin.

The study findings, published Thursday in The New England Journal of Medicine, suggest not only that millions of American adults lack enough vitamin D in their blood to protect their bones, but also that newly nograded

is, vitamin D also plays an important role. Deficient levels of vitamin D were found in

the blood of 37 percent of those who reported consuming the newly recommended amounts of 400 international units (TU) a day for people 51 to 70 years old and 600 international naits for those over 70. The previous recommendatioo for all adults had been 200 IUs. The study was conducted by Dr. Melissa

Thomas and colleagues at Massachusetts General Hospital among 290 bospitalized patients, who might be expected to have lower than average levels of vitamin D in their blood. And indeed more than half of them did. Using a conservative measure of deficiency, Dr. Thomas said 57 percent of the patieots were deficient, including 22 percent who were severely deficient in this essential natrient.

Asked whether the findings in bospital patients could be applied to the general population, Dr. Thomas said that although the

nutrient of concern for preventing osteoporos-is, vitamin D also plays an important role. percentage of people with vitamin D deficiency might be somewhat lower in healthy people.

the problem was still likely to be widespread. Dr. Thomas based that judgment on a separate analysis of vitamin D levels among 44 patients who were younger and bealthier and had none of the usual risk factors that might cause a vitamin D deficiency. Yet she found that 42 percent of them were deficient.

The results of this and other studies suggest that at least for adults living at oorthern latitudes, where essentially no vitamin D is made in the skin all winter, a dietary supplement of 800 international units a day may be needed to stave off a chronic deficiency.

■ Vitamin E May Cut Prostate Risk

Vitamin E appears to significantly reduce large international study, The Washington

The study - which involved 29,133 white news."

male smokers in Finland — found that those who took 50 milligrams of a form of vitamin E every day for five to eight years were 32 percent less likely to develop prostate cancer and 41 percent less likely to die from the

The report is the first large-scale study to show that giving people a vitamin may reduce their subsequent risk for a major form of cancer. In the United States, for instance, prostate cancer is the most common form of cancer among men, and the second-leading cause of male cancer deaths. It will strike nearly 184,500 men, and kill 39,200, in 1998, according to the American Cancer Society.

"For the first time, we have this potential for prevention with a relatively easy modi-Vitamin E appears to significantly reduce fication of taking a supplement or potentially the risk for prostate cancer, according to a modifying diets," said Dr. Demetrius Albanes of the National Cancer Institute, who belped conduct the study. "It's exciting

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Of Partners, Inamoratos, Postal Addresses and Poppy Seeds

By William Safire

guy you were in husiness with. Now the word needs modification. We have life parmers, people in a state of permanent cohabitation, streight or gay, connoting a more equal relationship than companion

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"Baked pockets of seeds filled clectric guitar required us to call the with mon (Yiddish for 'poppy old-fashioned instrument an acous-seeds'), 'Katzoff writes, 'are he guitar. To every water-skier, the mon-taschen, and by a small punning step hamantaschen, 'Haman's pockets.' In their essence, they are

Last week, observant Jews cel- calls them 'white sweet potatoes'

being "Ms. Lewinsky's inamorata." I thought that was less judgmental than paramour, which imputes illicit sex, or cookie, which is

this may have been the origin of both sexist and overly informal.

and the word becomes inamorato.

The legal columnist Bruce Fein of The Washington Times, attackmg the attacker-attackers who have been blasting his friend Ken Starr, expressed astonishment at "massmedia gullibility in peddling bogus portraits of the Whitewater inde-pendent counsel sold by myrmid-

ons of President Clinton."
What's a myrmidon? The poet Homer, often caught nodding but have hitherto surrounded him."
now probably shaking his head at One man's myrmidon, howe the Clintonian odyssey, would point is another man's die-hard. In an article that tried to treat us to the Myrmidones, an Achaean

'ants in the pants.'') An alternative mythic source is

the changing of ants into men by Zeus in answer to the prayers of formed by a legion of righteous King Aeacus, who had lost his army students of Italian, is "a woman to the plague. But the metaphoric intent is the same, describing a race used to refer to a man, however, the ending changes to the masculine, and the word becomes inamorato.

of antlike men, and the meaning of myrmidon, which should not be capitalized in its extended meaning, is "slavish follower, subordinate who obeys the orders of his leader without mercy."

The Greek word was introduced into American politics by Alexander Hamilton in his efforts to block Aaron Burr from becoming president in 1800. Hamilton wrote to Gouverneur Morris that Burr, to accomplish his end, "must lean upon unprincipled men, and will continue to adhere to the myrmidons who

One man's myrmidon, however, New York Times Service

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ASHINGTON — Used to be, your partner was the

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Because I like to get letters and says the professor, a purist. cards that are written by people who have no need for instant gratificarion, I noted bere that I have happily resisted an e-mail address, which generated the question, "So what's your postal address?" Now I have a postal address to go with my voice they started selling yams, dark orphone number, a retronym caused hy ange in color, mislabeled 'sweet

ebrated Purim, a festival commemorating deliverance from the evildoer Haman. Professor Ranon Katzoff of Bar Ilan University in Israel informs me that Queen Esther was presumed to have eaten "seeds," later specified as poppy

made with poppy seeds." Ah, but what about my favorite, prune hamantaschen? My local

"Sweet potatoes used to be light yellow," notes Paul Bruch of Southbury, Connecticut. "Then potatoes. Recently our grocer began selling the original light yel-low sweet potatoes, but now be

(even though they're still yellow). Is this what you call a retronym?" I tried it out on Frank Mankiewicz, father of the retronym, who waved it in. Frank also showed me three new gems in his collection: "In Los Angeles, there's 'the No. 1 English-speaking radio station.' And in this brave new single-parent society, we now have the need to refer to the twoparent family. Finally, a wine now made necessary by the presence of (I can hardly bring myself to say) blush wines: red zinfandel."

mantic field day marked by ret-ronyms as the best quick linguistic "These are as off the mark as evidence of change in our culture. "These are as off the mark as blintzes filled with hlneberries," with decorum and dignity a matter race in Thessaly, Greece, who too often subjected to salacious fought under Achilles in the Trojan snickering, I referred to the pres-War. They assumed their ancestor ident as having been accused of to be the issue of the mating of Zeus

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Hyundai **Sets Sights** On Kia Unit

Biggest Korea Carmaker May Absorb 3d-Largest

By Don Kirk

SEOUL — Hyundai Group revealed tentative plans Sunday for taking over troubled Kia Motors Corp. in a deal that would make Hyundai Motor Co. one of the world's top 10 motor vehicle

"We are seriously considering taking over Kia." said Yoo Keun Chan of Hyundai Group's public affairs office. "But whether we will take over the entire company or only part of it is not

Lee Young II, a Hyundai spokesman, confirmed that Hyundai Motor and the Hyundai Research Institute had developed a series of steps for taking over Kia Motors in an effort at forming a "globally competitive" company in an era of economic crisis in South Korea.

Kia did not confirm the report, but a Kia spokesman noted that Hyundai Motor purchased 5 percent of Kia Motors three years ago. Ford Motor Co. owns 9.4 percent of Kia Motors, and Mazda, a Japanese manufacturer in which Ford owns one-third of the shares, owns another 6.7 percent

Mr. Yoo said that the merger had "a lot of legal aspects" but added that details would "be worked out in the

Hyundai group headquarters revealed the plan amid mounting speculation about the future of Kia Motors.

The entire Kia Group, after failing to meet its debt deadlines in October, applied for court receivership in the hope that the court would order the group and its creditor banks to renegotiate its debts, giving the group a new lease on life.

A Hyundai takeover of Kia Motors would be the type of "big deal" that South Korean government officials have said is needed to get rid of failing companies and place the economy on a sound footing. The International Monetary Fund, in forming a rescue package for South Korea, made clear that the dissolution of bankrupt companies and banks was needed to jump-start the economy. The pressure intensified last week when President Kim Dae Jung specifically cited Kia among bankrupt groups that be said were "smothering"

the entire economy.

The Hyundai report on Kia appealed. to Korean patriotism as a reason for the takeover, declaring that the South Korean motor vehicle industry "could destroyed in terms of to capital and competitiveness if foreign firms take over management of local firms."

Chung Mong Gyu, chairman of Hyundai Motor, told reporters that his company had "no intention" of negotiating with foreign companies in an effort at

resolving its own financial difficulties. The Hyundai attitude contrasts with that of Daewoo Motor Co., which is

negotiating with General Motors Corp., and Samsung Motor Co., which is talking with Ford.

Last year, Hyundai sold about 1.3 stillion vehicles, while Kia, Sonth Korea's third-largest motor vehicle maker after second-ranked Daewoo, sold about 700,000.



STERLING FOREVER — Demonstrators calling for an independent pound in York, England, where EU ministers were meeting over the weekend to discuss the planned European single currency. (Page 13)

A Spring Flowering for Executives' Pay

By Tim Smart ington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Michael Jordan may pull down \$36 million from the ago Bulls for breaking records in professional basketball. But that's small change compared with what the chief executive of Walt Disney Co., Michael Eisner, earned last year.

Mr. Eisner made more than \$575 million as he cashed in stock options and reaped an annual salary and bonus of more than \$10 million.

Mr. Eisner is an extreme case. But the next few weeks are likely to reveal some extraordinarily lucrative pay packages for top executives.

With the arrival of spring, companies soon must release annual proxy statements in which they disclose bow much they paid their top executives last year. This year, the numbers are going to be eye-popping, thanks to a booming stock market and the best business environment in decades.

Graef Crystal, a compensation spe-cialist, said his initial analysis of roughly half of the 500 largest companies that have released proxy statements showed that chief executives' pay rose 17 percent last year from 1996 — more than five times the average 3 percent raise of rank-and-file workers. Mr. Crystal said that when all the proxies were in, he expected the rise to be close to 21 percent.

Mr. Crystal said that while salary alone for top executives was rising about 7 percent a year, bonuses brought the compensation growth closer to 10 percent — and then stock options compounded the increase. Leading the pay derby so far are financial-services and entertainment-industry executives.

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"My gut fecling is we're probably going to push higher," Mr. Crystal said.

"The higgest part of the increase is devoted to long-term compensation."

"We expect this year's numbers to be alarming." said Bill Patterson, director of the office of investment at the AFL-CIO labor confederation. "The dollar

amounts are staggering." He complained about a "growing distance between steeply than the wages of workers. According to the AFL-CIO, execfront-line workers and the CEOs." utive pay has risen an average of 500

Though fewer than haif of the top 500 U.S. companies have issued proxies, some of the stars of American capitalism have already disclosed bow much they made last year:

• Sanford Weill, chief executive of

Travelers Group Inc., collected \$220 million after exercising options oo the company's stock, in addition to \$7 mil-

lion in salary and bonus.

• Eckhard Pfeiffer, chief executive of Compaq Computer Corp., saw his annual salary and bonus rise a modest 6 percent, to \$4.5 million, in 1997 — but directors liked the job be was doing so much that they granted him options worth as much as \$102 million.

• At General Electric Co., where chairman and chief executive John Welch Jr. bolds stock options valued at \$99 million already, the board decided to issue him 450,000 new options that could be worth a further \$47 million.

"These packages just keep getting ratcheted up," said Mark Melzzer, an executive company to the company of the comp

executive compensation consultant with Scgal Cos. in New York.

A few CEOs did take pay cuts. Eastman Kodak Co.'s chairman, George Fisher, whose company has been losing Film Co., decided to forgo an annual bonus - which was \$1.75 million a year earlier — and his salary was held steady at \$2 million.

The compensation of Union Pacific Corp.'s chief executive, Richard Davidson, was cut by 22 percent, to \$1.49 million, after the company struggled to integrate its 1996 merger with Southern Pacific Rail Corp. and encountered severe traffic problems on its rail lines.

Boeing Co.'s CEO, Philip Condit, saw his bonus cut 30 percent and his 1998 salary frozen after a year in which the airplane maker posted its first loss in

But the laggards are in a minority, and overall, executive pay is rising far more

U.S. Seeks to Avert Rift With Allies Over Iran

It Shies From Punishing Foreign Investors

By Steven Erlanger New York Times Service

WASHINGTON :— The United States is backing away from imposing sanctions on European, Canadian, Russian and Asian energy companies that are investing in Iran, despite a 1996 law signed with great fanfare by President Bill Clinton that calls for such measures, senior U.S. officials say.

Mr. Clinton's administration, the officials say, is boping that the Asian financial crisis and the recent drop in the price of oil will cause the two deals at issue to collapse and cause one of the most sensitive foreign-policy issues Mr. Clinton faces to simply go away.

Even if that does not happen, they say, the administration is negotiating with the European Union to find enough cause, under the law, to waive the sanctions that Mr. Clinton apparently does not want to impose.

Mr. Clinton therefore has decided he

will make no decisions on the matter at least until he and European Union leaders conclude their annual summit meeting in mid-May in Birmingham, England, the officials say.

The United States wants to avoid an open confrontation with its European allies and with Russia, all of which oppose Washington's efforts to punish any of their companies for doing business with Iran.

For the past six months, some of America's closest European allies have been pressing Washington to drop or waive the sanctions, which they regard as illegal, and have threatened to chal-Yet, even as the numbers reach new heights, there is little of the public anger that emerged in the early 90s. Back lenge the legislation in the World Trade

Mr. Clinton has no desire to pick a fight with the Russians and Europeans as be courts their assistance in conntering Iraq and in containing the new Yugoslav crisis that has crupted in the Serbian province of Kosovo, officials say. The administration also is pressing Russia to ratify the second strategic arms reduction treaty.

Mr. Clinton also wants to improve relations with a changing Iran and to avoid any action that might undermine its new president, Mohammed Khatami, Mr. Khatami holds out the prospect of a less confrontational Iran and has said that his country will stop supporting

radical Islamic groups that oppose the Middle East peace process.

Mr. Clinton was said to be taken with a letter Mr. Khatami had sent to him via the Palestinian leader, Yasser Arafat, in which Mr. Khatami promised to respect any Middle East solution that the Palestinians accepted.

While U.S. officials say they want proof over time that Iran has changed its policies on supporting terrorism, developing weapons of mass destruction and opposing a Middle East peace, they are also trying to bring Tehran into direct, government-to-government dia-

logue with Washington.
The law at issue is the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act, sponsored by Senator Alfonse D'Amato, Republican of New York, and signed live on CNN by Mr. Clinton. It was designed to reduce Iran's income in the hope that this would hinder Iran's support of terrorism and its program to develop weapons of mass destruction. The law imposed sanctions on non-U.S. companies that invested more than \$20 million in Iran's energy sector. It is being challenged by two deals, both announced about six mouths

The larger and more controversial one is a \$2 billion contract to pump natural gas signed by the French com-pany Total SA with two partners, Gazprom of Russia and Petronas Bhd. of Malaysia. Petronas has been hit hard by the Asian economic crisis, and a U.S. official is investigating whether it may have to pull out of the deal, senior officials said. Total, for its part, vows to explore further contracts in Iran.

The other deal, valued at \$180 million, was signed by a Canadian com-pany, Bow Valley Energy Ltd., and its Indonesian partner, Bakrie Minarak. There have been reports that Bakrie Minarak wants to pull out because of Indonesia's crisis and that Bow Valley

is looking for new partners.
"It would not be an unhappy outcome if all this were to fall of its own weight," one key congressional staff member said, echoing the fervent hope of the Clinton administration.

It has been six months since the State Department began an investigation into ether the companies could be subject

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CYBERSCAPE

Internet for All: Has U.S. Gone Too Far?

By Mike Mills Washington Post Service * ASHINGTON Columbia Public Schools ystem, which has nearly finished a project to wire each of its schools to the Internet, cials say they qualify to get 80 now wants to go much further: It is planning a \$45 mil- money from a new federal

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companies that would be funded by telerather than hy taxpayers. proved the program as part of

use properly, the critics say.
"They're taking it fur-ther" than Congress wanted, said Senator Conrad Burns, Republican of Montana. The original idea, he said, was to just get wire to the schools, then let schools take care of the inside infrastructure."

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The schools and libraries program was promoted by lawmakers as a way to help students connect to the Internet. The measure would

> details of carrying out the pro-gram up to the Federal Communications Commission. Last year, the agency settled on a \$2.25 billion plan

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> sion created a company called Schools & Libraries Corp. In February the General Accounting Office, the investigative arm of Congress, issued a report concluding that the commission bad exceeded its statutory authority

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Companies that pay into the by setting up the corporation.

Indiafreedy have begun to Critics also complain about the salary of the corporation's chairman, the Washington ers' phone bills. Many res-idential customers also are man: \$200,000 plus a \$50,000 likely to see new charges by annual bonus. Legislation pending in the say the new fees have been Senate would require the

commission to revise the corporation's structure and lower Mr. Fishman's salary to \$151,800, which is what members of Mr. Clinton's cabinet earn. Mr. Fishman said the cor-

help carry out Vice President poration would review appli-Al Gore's stated goal of con-necting every school and li-ensure that schools could afbrary to the Internet by 2000.

But the legislation left the were asking for. Internet address:

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France Telecom results in line with

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then, executives were taking home large paychecks while downsizing operations

There is less noise about the amount

of pay," said Yale Tanber, a principal

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"Times are good," Mr. Tauber said.

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Sound fundamentals

1997 revenue growth for France Telecom outpaced 1996, up 3.6% compared with 2.3% the previous year. The increase stemmed from the boom in mobile telephony services which grew revenues in France and internationally by more than 50%. EBIT eased back 12.9% to FF 25.4 billion, reflecting the impact of start-ups outside France and the cost of recruiting new mobile subscribers.

Net income was FF 14.9 billion, in line with 1996 income before special items linked to the Company's change in status.

Growth in call traffic confirmed .

Total call traffic grew by 5.6% in 1997, helped by the robust performance of mobiles (+72%) domestic calls (+5.2%) and international calls (+8.3%). Fixed line telephony recorded an increase arising from the decline in call tanffs

and the success of new packages and services such as voice mail, automatic call back and teleconferencing. The mobile business continued its vigorous expansion in 1997 with the number

of Itineris subscribers increasing 126%. France Telecom felt the benefit of this growth and confirmed its leadership position, ending the year with a 53% GSM/DCS

Soaring expansion for Internet

Data transmission enjoyed growth of 79% excluding internet services and a 250% rise in internet/intranet traffic. To satisfy the sharp increase in demand, France Telecom implemented an integrated network and launched new services such as Global extranet, Global intranet, etc.

Stronger international presence

FranceTelecom is continuing to expand internationally by strengthening its alliance with Deutsche Telekom. It was successful both in the mobile sector with licenses in Denmark, Portugal and Poland as well as in fixed-line telephony with the acquisition of CASEMA in the Netherlands and the creation of Wind in Italy with Deutsche Telekom.

A net dividend of FF 6.50 (+ FF 3.25 tax credit) will be proposed to the Annual General Meeting on May 26, 1998.

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France Telecom is one of the world's leading telecommunications operators and ranks prominently among the French listed companies. The Company has one of the most modern and extensive networks in the world. France Telecom is continuing to broaden its international scope with the prime objective of strengthening

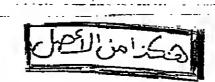
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privatization, was a watershed year for France Telecom, Growth in business was sustained. France Telecom adopted an aggressive policy in terms of sales and tariffs which drove a sharp increasa in call traffic and a surge in the mobile business. France Telecom has tailored its organizational structure to the new requirements of buoyant domestic and international market. Looking ahead, France Telecom has set its priorities: encouraging growth in call traffic and usage, confirming its leadership on the French mobile market and following through its international expansion.

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NEW YORK -- With U.S. bonds mortgage, corporate and other debt.

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consumer debt, Ms. Huang said. After falling as low as 5.66 percent little changed so far this year and econ- in mid-January, the benchmark 30omists predicting little movement in the year bond's yield has for the most part near future, investors are looking to raise moved in a range of 5.8 percent to 6 their returns by buying higher-yielding percent as reports have shown robust growth in the U.S. economy and scant Susan Huang, who oversees \$30 bil-inflation. The yield ended Friday at 5.88 percent — not far from where it agement Inc., said she expected 30- started the year — and many investors year Treasury bond yields to move say they do not see an end to this so-

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Sony Corp. and Cable & Wireless Communications PLC.

Roger Hamilton, who manages \$1.1 billion in bonds at John Hancock Mutual Funds in Boston, recently pur-chased 15-year 6.5 percent and 30-year 7 percent mortgage-backed securities, which are backed by low-rate loans that are less likely to be refinanced than higher-coupon mortgage debt.

Relatively low bond yields have also prompted scores of corporations to rush to sell about \$160 billion of bonds so far this year, some 60 percent more than they bad sold by this time last year. according to Securities Data Co. The rush to lock in low rates is not expected million at Advantus Capital Man- to slow soon, and this may cause backed debt, or securities made by agement, based in St. Paul, Minrepackaging loans and other types of nesota. He recently bought bonds of securities to lose value, traders said.

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Bond Investors Turn to Riskier Issues With Inflation Low, Going Long-Term or Perilone Is at an analysis of the Property of th

By Carl Gewirtz International Herald Tribune

PARIS - With the outlook for inflation subdued and exchange rates steady in the major markets, investors bungry to maximize income in the international debt market are being forced into accepting either very long-term or

very risky paper. J.P. Morgan's index of risk appente, after having slumped sharply since last spring, is approaching the highs seen early last year - before East Asia's financial crisis drove investors to safe havens.

Goldman Sachs and Salomon Smith Barney, joint lead managers of the South Korean government's debut international offering, will begin this week to drum up demand for between \$3 billion and \$5 billion of notes that could be divided among three-year, five-year and 10-year maturities. In all, Secol is expected to seek

\$9 billion in capital markets this year.

The bond offering follows closely an agreement two weeks ago by 123 in-ternational banks to extend \$21.4 billion of maturing South Korean bank debt for as long as three years. However, with a fur-

remain at junk-bond level, and a junk rating limits the number of institutional

investors who can buy the paper. The ability of banks to take up any paper also appears to be constrained. On the one hand, with the junk rating it is questionable whether supervisors will authorize banks to make loans at the zerorisk weighting that South Korea is entitled to, as it has not officially rescheduled its debt and is a member of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development. A 100 percent weighting against capital - more in line with South Korea's risk profile — would make any loans to South Korea more expensive for

the banks because they would need to set aside more capital to back up the loans. In addition, the jumbo syndicated bank credit that South Korea is rumored to be seeking will probably crimp the willingness of banks to take on bond debt, so the issue will have to be priced generously.

Also this week, Russia will begin marketing as much as 2 billioo Deutsche marks (\$1.09 billion) of seveo-year notes that are expected to be priced at 460 to

ther \$44 billion in short-term debt matur- 480 basis points, or 4.6 to 4.8 percentage ing this year, South Korea's credit ratings points, above comparably dated German government paper. With the benchmark rate currently at 4.6 percent, the Russian notes would be priced to yield at least 9.2 percent. Deutsche Morgan Grenfell is lead manager of that issue. In all, Russia expects to raise about \$4 billion in the international market this year.

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Russia last tapped the market last arturnn, before the Asian turmoil reached crisis proportions, and paid about 370 basis points above benchmark levels.
The increase reflects the premium put on risk in the wake of the Asian crisis and the junk credit status of Russia.

Brazil, which last week added \$500 million to the 30-year global bonds it sold last year before the Asian turmoil temporarily closed the market to high-risk borrowers, this week will issue 750 million DM of 10-year bonds. The addition to the dollar issue was sold to yield investors 440 basis points above U.S. paper, down from a spread of almost 700 basis points at which the paper traded at the beight of the Asian crisis but still above the 360 basis points paid when the global bonds were first issued.

New International Bond Issues

Compiled by Laurence Desvilettes								
Issuer	Amount (millions)	Met.	Coup.	Price	Price end week	Terms		
Floating Rate Notes								
Geldmen Sachs Group	\$500	2005	0.30	99.71		Over 3-month Libor. Collable at par from 2001, Fees 0,30%. Denominations \$10.000. (Goldma Sachs Intl.)		
5wedbank	\$200	2000	Thor	100.025		Interest will be the 3-month Libor. Noncollable, Fees 0,10%. (Salamon Brothers Intl.)		
Bradford & Bingley Building Society	£300	2003	V22	99.904		Over 3-month Libor. Noncollable. Fees 0.15%. Denominations £10,000. (Bardays Capital Group.)		
Citicorp	£250	2003	V.	99.74	_	Over 3-month Libor, Noncollable. Fees 0.175%. (Barclays Capital Group.)		
Woolwich	€150	2004	5/16	99.833		Over 3-month Libor. Nancolloble. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total amount to \$50 million. Fees 0.20%. [Borcloys Capital Group.]		
L-Bonk	FF1,000	2009	0.70	99.65		Below the TEC-10 index, Noncollable, Fees 0.35%, (CDC Marches.)		
CIRINT	ITL130,000	2003	**	100,00	_	Over 3-month Libor, NoncaBable. Also o 70 billion line zero-coupon issue due 2001, Fees 0.40 (Chase Manhattan InPL)		
Bank of Nova Scotia	Ecu250	2001	libor	99,959		Interest will be the 3-month Libor, Noncollable, Fees 0.125%. (Societe Generale.)		
Permalat Finance	ECU500	2005	0.45	100,00		Over 3-month Libor, Nancatlable. Fees 0.35%. (Banque Paribas.)		
Fixed-Coupons								
Abbey National Treasury Services	. \$500	2003	5%	100.79	99.00	Reoffered at 99.19, Noncollable. Fees 194%, (Nomura Infl.)		
Cificorp	\$300	2003	6	99,411	99.50	Noncestable, Fees 0.30%. (Citibank Intl.)		
Denmark	\$500	2005	51/4	101.195	99.36	36 Reoffered at 99,62. NancoBable. Fees 131%. (Bank of Tokyo-Milsublahi.)		
General Electric Capital Corp.	\$450	2004	534	101.191	99.38	Reoffered at 99.591, NoncoBable, Fees 11/196, (Banque Portbas.)		
Heigba Finance	\$250	2002	5%	101.23	99.70	Reaffered at 99.83. Noncollable, Fees 144%, (ING Barings.)		
InH Endesa	\$500	2003	5%	99,692	99.48	Noncalluble. Fees 0.25%, (Margan Stunley Dean Witter.)		
Merrill Lynch & Co.	\$750	2008	671	99.691	99.75	Noncollable. Fees D.45%. (Merrill Lynch Infl.)		
Nippon Telegroph & Telephone	\$1,000	2008	6	99.68	99.55	Semiannvolly, Noncollable, Fees 0.325%, (Goldman Sochs Infl.)		
BGB Finence	DM250	2010	544	99.68	_	Noncallable, Issue may be redenominated in ouros after EMU, in which case it will be fungible with autstanding issue. Fees 0.35%. (Galdman Sachs Intl.)		
MBNA American European Structured Offerings	OM1,000	2010	5Va	99.60		Average life 10 years. Fees 0.725%, (Mentil Lynch Inft.)		
Sunamerica Institutional Funding	DM400	2008	51/4	99.244	_	Noncofloble, Fees 0.325%, (Bonque Poribas.)		
European Investment Bank	£750	2028	6	99.164	_	Noncollable, Issue may be redenominated in curos after EMU. Fees 0.45%, (Barcley's Capital Group.)		
Holifax	£150	1999	61/2	97.07		Noncolloble. Fees 0.125%. (Greenwich NonVest.)		
Hammerson	£200	2028	74	99.131		Nancollable. Fees 0.625%. (Bardays Capital Group.)		
Rheinhyp	£150	2000	71/0	99.905		Noncollable, Fees 0.125%, (Lehman Brothers Infl.)		
Toyota Motor Credit	E250	2007	61/4	99.146		Noncollable, Fees 0.325% (Bardays Capital Group.)		

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Last Week's Markets

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A schedule of this week's economic and briancial events, compiled for the in

Expected Beijing: Comdex/China Information

This Week Technology trade show and confer-

erice. Tuesday through Friday.

Tokyo: Economic Planning Agency

sponsors a symposium on foreign direct investment in East Asie. Thurs-

Manila: Central bank to hold hear-

Tokyo: Economic Planning Agancy

to issue preliminary data on gross

capital stock of private enterprises

exchange reserves for February.

Wellington: Overseas trade data

Earnings axpected: Sino Land.

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Americas Brussels: European Commission to Boston: Internet Commerce Expo Through Thursday.

New York: Institutional Investor Congive European Parliament recommendations Wednesday on counference. Through Thursday.
Orlando, Florida: Southcom '98. tries eligible for the single currency. Frankfurt: European Monetary Institute to issue recommendations Tuesday through Thursday. Thursday on countries aligible for Toronto: International Conference on Risk Management. the single currency.

Kiev: Partial privatizations of Linos Hong Kong: February retail sales and VAT Nikopolskiy Zavod Far-Taipei: February unemployment rosplaviv budget to conclude. Tokyo: Economic Planning Agency's diffusion index for Januery.

industrial production for February. Maxico City: Praliminary trade bal-London: Parliamentary debate on ance for February. Santiago: Economic growth, mining Prague: Avarage gross domestic product data for fourth quarter. production, industrial output and ex-

ternal trade data for January. Bratialava, Slovakia: Foreign trade data for February Copenhagen: Consumer price in-Paris: Industrial production for Jan-

Buenos Aires: Industrial production for February Mexico City: Inflation rate for first hall of March: foreign reserves. Ottawa: Consumer price index for February.

Caracas: Privatization of four alu-

minum subsidiaries of Corp. Vene-

Ottawa: Leading index data for

zolana de Guavana.

Buenos Aires: Revised estimate of

Copenhagen: Gross domestic product for fourth quarter. Peris: Final consumer price index for February. Stockholm: Retail sales data for

February. January: trade balance for Fabruary. . Washington: Durable-goods orders Earnings axpected: Paugeot, VW. for February. Copenhagen: Unemployment data **Buenos Aires: Construction activity**

for February. for February. Ottawa: Industrial product price in-Rome: Unemployment data for quartar endad in January. dex and raw materials price index Stockholm: Producer price index for February. for February. Earnings expected: Nestle, VEBA.

Washington: Final estimate of growth for the fourth quarter. Paria: Trade balanca for January Mexico City: Manufacturing industry output for January. Ezmings expected: Ascot Hold-

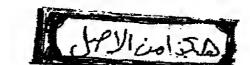
Ottawa: Average weekly eemings ior January. Washington: Personal income and spending data for February.

Earnings expected: Broken Hill

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By Kenneth N. Gilpin

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Scudder New Europe, has returned 33.3 price, compared with 29.2 percent for its peer group of closed-end European

'It has been a fairly breathtaking ride over the last year and a half," she said, "and we think we will have a pause. But

if you look at where interest rates are, at the fact that these economies are recovering and at structural and cyclical factors, there is every reason to believe Europe could have an extended period of expansion the way we have in the United States."

Ms. Franklin has been investing in Europe the last decade, much of that time as lead manager of the high-profile Scudder International fund; and about four years ago, she said, she felt it was time for an open-end European fund.
"We could see all the structural

changes that were going on in the re-gion, 'she said. 'Europe, which had experienced a period of premanure cu-phoria after the Berlin Wall came down, just looked ripe for takeoff."

"In most countries, the economies are mature, but the stock markets are not," she said. "Expansion in European markets will take place because you will see a lot of small, family-owned and privately nwned companies come to market. It is a region where we will see lots of new names."

Two of them are in Greater Europe's

Telepizza SA, a Spanish pizza fran-chise, went public in 1996. It now has a 70 percent share of the fast-food pizza market and a growth rate of about 40 percent. The stock has tripled since the fund bought it a little over a year ago.

Dassault Systemes SA, a computeraided design and manufacturiog company in France, went public a little over



Carol Franklin, who manages two European mutual funds for Scudder, says the Continent could now have an "extended" economic expansion.

share and oow trades at 241.50.

"They went public to give their em-ployees options," Ms. Franklin said, and also because they felt it was important for customer visibility, that their customers would feel more secure dealing with a public company that has some degree of transparency. I think that is a

two years ago at 118 francs (\$19.23) a view other European companies will

adopt."
"I look for one of two things in companies: growth or change." said. "A company can be expanding into new markets or technologies; or it could be adapting a new focus by shedding peripheral assets or bringing in

Germany Calls for New Attacks On Deficits to Buoy the Euro

chosen in Msy. Finance Minister Theo Waigel of Germany insisted Saturday at a meeting of EU finance ministers on immediate enforcement of the anti-deficit "stability pact" once the

The "stability pact" sets penalties for countries that run up deficits over

single currency by saying it should be enforced as sooo as the EU picks the

ique Strauss-Kahn of France uoderlined his backing for Mr. Trichet, no one else did.

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SHORT COVER

Increased Risk Bertelsmann Is Seen **Unveiling Big Alliance**

BONN (Reuters) — Bertelsmann. AG, Europe's biggest media group, said Sunday it would make an announcement Monday that was widely expected to

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS - After three months of un-

The first of the threats comes Wed-

mission and the European Monetary In-

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that the institute might question the sus-tainability of Italy's commitment to the

criteria for membership.

Any suggestion that Italy might not

make first-round entry into the common

But the more worrisome hurdle

currency could cause the mark to rise.

comes Thursday, effectively the last hurrah for the Bundesbank. It will bold a

special meeting to give its final view on the advisability of proceeding toward monetary union. The German central bank is widely seen as hostile to first-

Its report, to be presented to the German cabinet on Friday, is expected to

influence Germany's Parliament when it

Meanwhile, the dollar/yen rate will

be greatly affected by the end of Japan's

fiscal year at the end of this month.

Market rumors have had the govern-

ment intervening to keep both the yen

and the Tokyo stock market as strong as

possible for bookkeeping reasons, and once that time is past, both are expected

Brendan Brown at Tokyo Mitsubishi

International in London expects the gov-

ernment to announce this week a sup-

plemental budget of some 10 trillion yen

(\$76.66 billion). But Mr. Brown doubted

that would be sufficient to turn the econ-

omy and said further stimulus would

He sees the dollar headed toward 140

yen, with a "high risk that the yen

weakens even further." At the end of

last week, the dollar was at 130.45 yen.

come from a weakening of the yen.

votes on the union in late April.

round entry for Italy.

to fall sharply.

Monday that was widely expected to involve a major international alliance. Media reports over the weekend speculated that the announcement could involve the takeover of Random House, Inc., the largest U.S. publisher, or the creation of a publishing joint venture with Havas, the French media group.

Japan Set to Unveil Stimulus Measures

TOKYO (Reuters) — The policy chief of the governing Liberal Democratic Party confirmed Sunday that the government would present a 10 trillion yeo (\$76.66 billion) spending package etary union at the end of this year. These two reports are supposed to form the

to help revive the economy.

The official, Taku Yamasaki, said basis for a decision that the EU heads of measures would include spending on telecommunications, the environment, education and welfare.

countries join is basically a political one that oeither the commission nor the in-stitute is about to interfere with, there is New Growth Forecast concern in the foreign-exchange market Due From Malaysia

KUALA LUMPUR (AP) — Deputy Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim said Sunday he would announce oew fiscal policies and projections for 1998 eco-nomic growth when Parliament reconvened this week.

Last week, Mr. Anwar, who is also finance minister, said that a 1998 economic growth forecast of 4 percent to 5 percent was no longer realistic.

Mr. Anwar said the announcements, scheduled for Tuesday, also would address the need for greater transparency in the country's administration and tighter discipline in the banking sector.

For the Record

The International Monetary Fund said negotiations with Indonesia about the country's economic reform plans had made "considerable progress."
(Bloomberg)

Credit Lyonnais SA may be worth as much as 40 billion French francs (\$6.52 hillioo) when the state sells it, said Jean Peyrelevade, the chairman. He rejected criticism that results had been aided by "illegal" government aid of 3 billioo francs.

Geoeral Motors Corp. said it had cut the time needed to design and build new vehicles by six months, to 30 months. The company said it would soon match its U.S. rivals by cutting development time to 24 months. GM has been criticized for getting products to market too late.

SANCTIONS: U.S. Seeks to Loosen Law

Continued from Page 11

to sanctions under the law, Bnt senior administration officials continue to as- projects or companies involved on the sert that the investigation is oot comnlete, which means that legally Mr. Clinton has not had to make a decision.

Even congressional staff members who monitor the law are not pressing the administration very hard to make its At the same time, however, Wash-

ington wants to discourage large oew investments in Iran. It is pressing for a Turkisb ronte for a pipeline for Caspian Sea oil and gas, and it wants to reduce Western dependence on Gulf pipelines and the reliance of the oewly independent Caspian states on Russian pipelines. "This is still a very tough one," a

senior administration official said. "There are a lot of competing interests, and the coherence of our Iran policy is at

But senior officials say they will carry out the law, while noting that it has two different kinds of waivers built in. er in hinne mener um besteht un

The first, known as 9c, which many senior American officials favor, would waive sanctions against the particular grounds of American oational security.

Using 9c, the officials say, would keep much of the law's deterreot power intact because big international companies that want to invest in Iran - such as British Petroleum PLC and Royal Dutch/Shell Group - have too many assets in the United States to risk sanctions. Total, Gazprom and Petronas, by contrast, have few assets there,

It also would limit the unfairness to American energy companies, such as Conoco Inc., that are barred from investing in Iran by other U.S. laws, the officials say.

The second waiver, knowo as 4c, which the Europeans favor, provides a blanket waiver for a country and its companies if that country takes "substantial measures, including economic sanctions, that inhibit Iran's abilities' to develop weapoos of mass destruction or undermine the peace process.

countries joining the euro at a May YORK, England — Germany has called for a fresh attack oo deficit summit meeting. Mr. Waigel also called oo "highspeoding to bolster the credibility of

the European Union's planned single currency and calm financial markets after the single-currency countries are

countries joining the new currency, the euro, are chosen.

product.

3 percent of their gross domestic Mr. Waigel introduced a oew wrinkle in the preparation for the

debt countries" - a reference to Italy and Belgium - to make extra efforts to hring down their deficits. Both have debt about twice the target of 60 percent of gross domestic product for countries aspiring to use the euro.

Meanwhile, France appeared isolated in its bid to win the job of first

president of the European Central Bank for Jean-Claude Trichet, governor of the Bank of France. While Finance Minister Domin-

Instead, more support emerged for Wim Dnisenberg, a former Dutch central bank leader who now runs the central bank's predecessor, the Euro-

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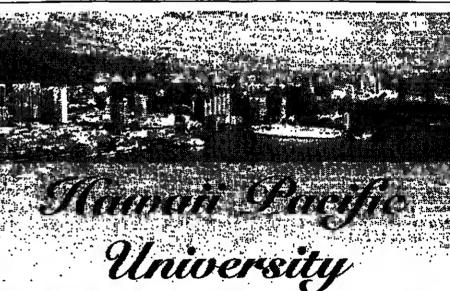
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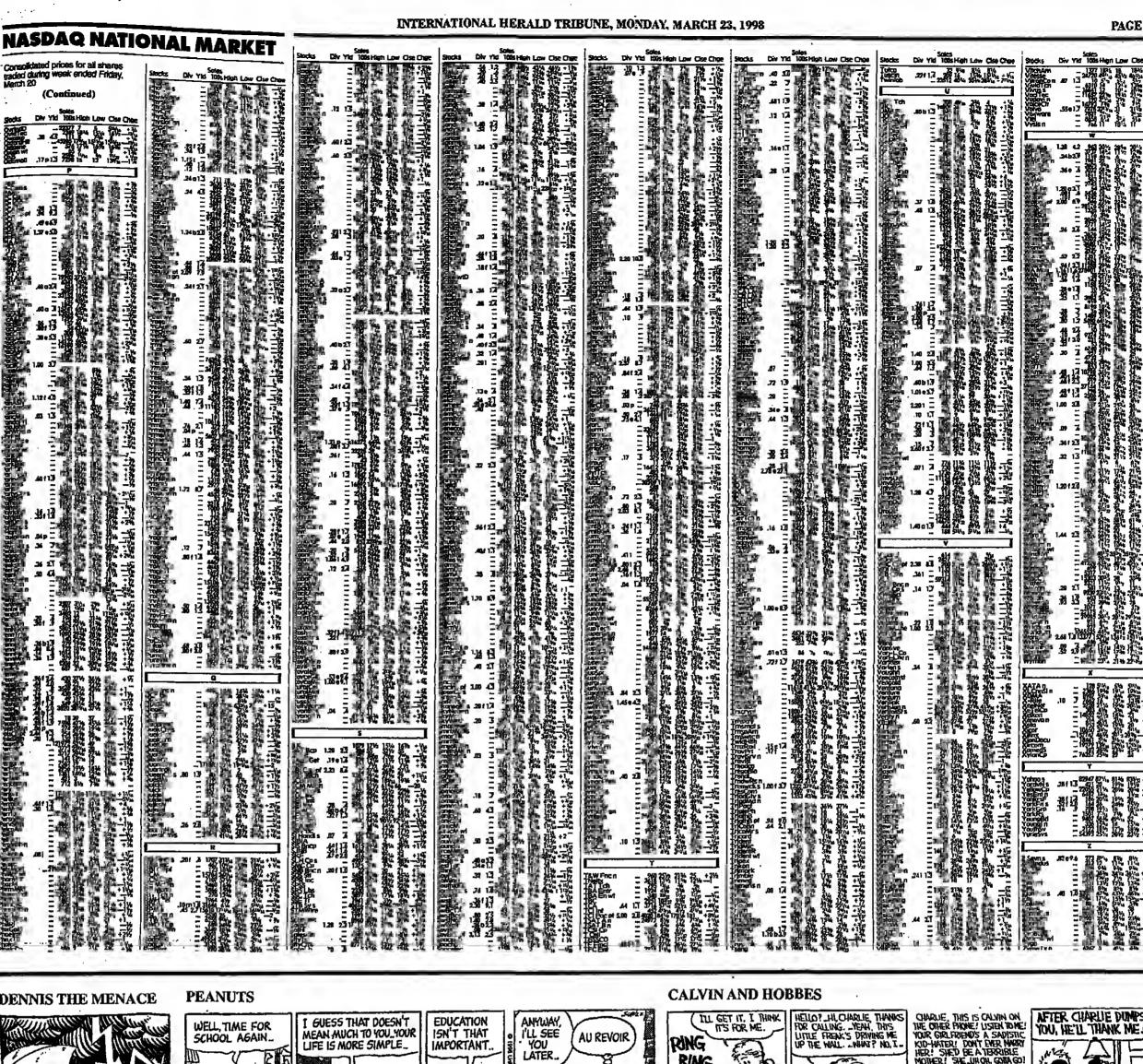
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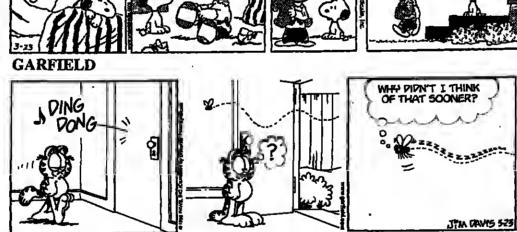
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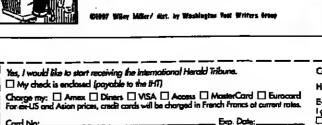


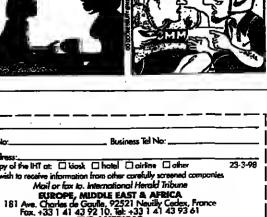




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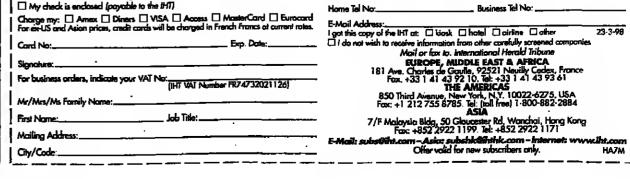




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SARASOTA, Florida — The Cincinnati Reds will open the season with one of the five lowest payrolls in the major leagues. They also will open the season picked by many to finish last in their division.

"Jim got a mandate to cot the payroll," said Jack McKeon, the manager, referring to Jim Bowden, the general manager, a day after Rupert Murdoch bought the Los Angeles Dodgers for \$311 million. "It's difficult to have to go in and face the Dodgers and the Braves, who have all sorts of money, knowing that you're going to have to wait to catch up to those guys."
But Bowden and McKeon expect to

catch np. They have a strategy, and it's one that has been adopted by several other teams. It's not original; it's the Cleveland plan.

When I came in to do this job last year," McKeon said, "they presented a situation to me to develop these young guys and get them ready for when we open a new stadium. We want to see if we can put a solid nucleus of young players together so that in two or three years, when we open the stadium, we have a chance to have a championship ball club."

The Pittsburgh Pirates, the Detroit Tigers, the Montreal Expos and the Milwaukee Brewers also are pointing to new stadiums in the next few years. All want to develop young players into

PENINA, Portugal — Peter Mitchell

held off a strong challenge Sunday from

his fellow Briton David Gilford and

from Jarmo Sandelin of Sweden to win

Madeira almost a year agn, closed with a

three-under-par 70 for an 18-under total

of 274. It was his third European Tour

the event was played at Penina, in 1982.

tied for fnurth with Eduardo Romero of

Argentina and Jonathan Lomas of Eng-

short putts. Mitchell birdied the difficult

par-three 16th for the fourth successive

day to regain a one-stroke lead. A par at

the last sealed the £58,330 (\$97,200)

Gilford and Sandelin missed crucial

Sam Torrance, who won the last time

Mitchell, whose last specess was in

the Portuguese Open by nne shot.

those stadiums open, as the Indians were in 1994, the first season for Jacobs

"With the new stadium," McKeon said, "we hope to generate enough finances to go out and get the big bomber or the No. 1 pitcher we're looking for."

At 67. McKeon is the oldest manager in the majors. That Bowden asked him to continue managing the Reds this season after he was named interim manager ou July 25 is a tribute to the way be worked with the young players who

have become the Reds' future.
"I personally like working with the young guys," McKeon said.

After replacing Ray Knight, McKeon used a lineup filled with youngsters: Eduardo Perez at first base, Pokey Reese at shortstop and Chris Stynes and Jon Nunnally in the ontfield.

They all busted their tails and played exciting baseball," the manager said. "I had an opportunity to show them how we did things to try to win. They all fell

in line, and we were successful."

After compiling a 43-56 record with Knight, the Reds registered a 33-30 record under McKeon, the best record in the National League Central in that period. After finishing last season with a \$37 million payroll, the Reds will open this season at \$23.6 million. The young players remain in the lineup.

"Hopefully, with what they gained last year they'll get a little bit better," McKeon said. "We'll throw a couple

teams that will be contenders when more guys into the lineup this year, and hopefully they'll grow.

McKeon has a vision for the Reds that goes beyond being a contender in a new

Some of these clubs that have these high-priced guys," he said, "in two years are going to say we can't afford this. We got to go that way. This is going to run a cycle. I think in three or four years you're going to see other clubs, like Houston and Louis, do what we're doing, and we'll have the jump on them."

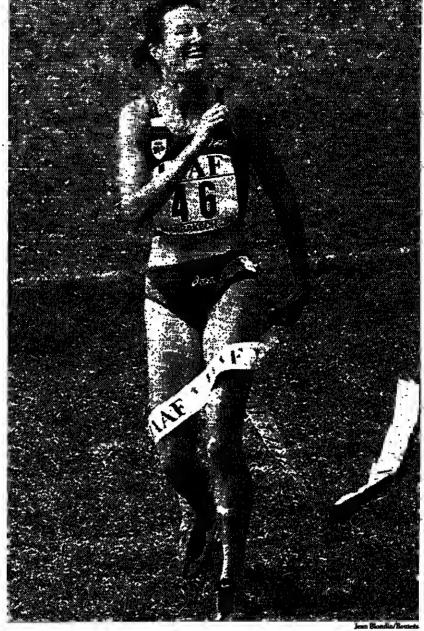
■ Cubans Are Rescued at Sea

Four baseball players and a coach who left Cuba on March 10 were rescued at sea north of the island and taken to a small Bahamian island, a baseball agent said Saturday, The Associated Press reported from Miami.

The word that the players were safe came after their families had been elated and then disappointed by an earlier, unconfirmed report that the players had been found in the Dominican Republic.

The crew of a fishing vessel plucked them out of their rickety boat Friday afternoon and turned them over to the Bahamian Coast Guard on Ragged Island, said Joe Cubas, an agent who has helped several Cuban baseball players flee the island.

In addition to the four players and the coach, four other Cubans were on the boat and were also rescued, he said, adding that they were all "in very good



Sonia O'Sullivan winning the four-kilometer cross-country title Sunday.

Slovene Ski Jumper Retains World Cup

PLANICA, Slovenia — Japanese ski jumpers finished first and second on Sunday in the final World Cup event of the season, depriving a third Japanese jumper of the overall title.

Primoz Peterka of Slovenia finished seventh in the event but kept his World Cup title after Kazuyoshi Funaki of Japan finished fourth. A thirdplace finish would have made Punaki

to get his first victory in five years, beating Hiroya Saito. Peterka had snatched the overall lead from Austria's Andreas Widhoelzl on Saturday, but held only a slim 33-point lead over Funaki, the double Olympic champion. Peterka was close to tears after two weak jumps of 131.0 and 115.5 meters on Sunday. Moments later, the Slovenian

crowd was celebrating as Kasai, Saito and Martin Hoellwarth of Austria outjumped Funaki.

Slovakia, def. Guillaume Raoux, Fr. 6-4, 6-2. Cedric Pioline (1-4), Fr. det. Lucas Arnold, Arg., 6-4, 6-3: Steve Compitell, U.S., def. Mark Philippousalls (1-5), Australia, 3-4, 6-3, 6-3;

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(2), Czech R. def. Magdalena Grzybowska. Poland, 6-1, 6-1; Manica Seles (4), U.S., def. Maria Antonio Sanchez Lorenzo, Sp. 6-4, 6-7

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Medal Run

MARRAKECH. Morocco - Paul Tergat cruised to victory at the World Cross Country Championships on Sunday, winning a fourth straight gold medal to tie a record set in 1989 by another Kenyan, John Ngugi.

Koech, who led for five kilometers, before overtaking him with relative ease in the final stretch of the 12,000-meter race.

world record, said conditions on the fast and mostly flat four-kilometer Ghabat Chabab track were "just perfect for me." He matched Ngugi's 1986-89 run of golds. Ngugi won a fifth title in 1992. Earlier, Sonia O'Sullivan of Ireland won her second gold medal in less than 24 hours, beating the rest of the field by 14 seconds in the 4,000-meter race. On Saturday, she won the 8,000 meters.

been advised not to run two races in such a short space of time, given the heat that clearly was draining the athletes.
Tergat and O Sullivan both pocketed

\$40,000 for their victories.

Kenyans were fullowed by Ethiopia and Morocco. Portugal was fourth. In the women's 4,000 meters, Zohra Ouaziz of Morocco finished second,

men's junior race. The meet was marred by Morocco's

Tergat Ties Record With 4th Straight Medal Run Minning Heels Das John's Upsal Medal Run

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O'Sullivan, who finished Sunday in 12 minutes and 20 seconds, said she had

Tergat finished five seconds ahead of Koech and 27 seconds ahead of Assefa Mezegebu of Ethiopia.

The results left no doubt about the continued dominance of the powerful Kenyan team. All six Kenyan men were among the top seven finishers. On Saturday, the Kenyans took the first five places in the men's 4,000 meters. In the overall team standings, the

with Kntre Dulecha of Ethiopia third. Anita Weyermann of Switzerland was

fourth, 25 seconds behind the leader. Rodica Nagel of France was seventh. Million Wolde of Ethiopia won the

refusal to grant visas to the Israeli team despite earlier pledges to allow their entry. The Israelis were stranded in Paris on Friday, and the International Amateur Athletic Federation said it was "very disappointed" by the situation.

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"The key to the win was definitely the 16th," Mitchell said. "I like the hole. It's very easy for me to align myself and float the ball in.

Mitchell Snags the Portuguese Open

'My iron shots and putting were what won me this because I played the five par fives like a dog nearly every day. About five or six putts looked like dropping but didn't and it was more frustration than pressure that I felt as it got close in the end."

It was Mitchell's first conventional Tour victory, In 1992, when he took the Austrian Open, players were allowed to tee up on the waterlogged course. In Madeira fog reduced the tournament to three rounds.

'It's nice to win over four rounds," Mitchell said. "I didn't practice much because of having the family here and because I was getting over a bad cold. I think the relaxation did me good." ■ Els Leads Woods at Bay Hill

Ernie Els, the U.S. Open champion, outplayed Tiger Woods to open a six-stroke lead after the third round of the \$2

65 in sunny conditions. He needed only 24 putts on his way to a 15-under 201, while Woods (73) was tied for second at 207 with Bnb Estes (67) and Steve Stricker (68). Love fell

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eight strokes behind after a dismal 75 that included just one birdie.

After a short break, players returned to the course for the final round. They had to play 36 holes Sunday to make up for earlier bad weather that stretched the first round over two days.

Japan's first overall winner. Noriaki Kasai broke the hill record

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Leading scores Sunday at end of final round of \$577,500 Portuguese Open on

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296 | 138.5, 136.5); 2. Martin Hoeliwarth, Austria, 272.6 (137.5, 124.5); 4. Kazuyoshi Funaki. Jopan, 270.8 (126.5, 132); 5. Hernting Stensrud, Horway, 256.2 (126.5, 127.5); 6. Andreas Wildhoeld, Austria, 247.8 (124, 124.6); 7. Primaz Peterka, Stovenka, 244.7 (131, 114.5); 8. Sven Hansmoodd, Germany, 240.2 (128.5, 115.5); 9. Jani Scininen, Fintond, 235.5 (123.5, 115.5); 9. Jani Scininen, Fintond, 235.5 (123.5, 115.1); 10. Hanshood, Fintond, 235.5 (123.5, 115.5); 9. Jani Scininen, Fintond, 235.5 (123.5, 115.5); 9. Jani Fintond, 235.5 (123.5, 1 (721.5.120).
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TENNIS LIFTON CHAMPION

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MARNY'S RHOUND

Steve Compbell, U.S., def, Oliver Gress,
Ger., 6-4, 6-2; Gale Blanco, Sp., def. Juson
Stoltenberg, Australia, 7-5, 6-4, Brion
MacPhile, U.S., def, Andrei Cherkasov, Rus. CYCLING

Accale Filippini, Uruguay, def. Iva Heuberger, Switz. 1-6, 6-1, 6-2: Dominik Hrbaty, Slovakia, def. Daniel Vacek, Czech R. 6-3, 6-2: Francols Roig, Sp., def. Bohdan Uffrack, Czech R. 7-5, 2-6, 6-1. Christian Vinck, Ger., def. Armaud Clement, Fr. 6-4, 6-2: Grant Stafford, 5. Africa, def. cass des Jeux, Saine Hinte; J. Precisic Americasin, Francia Gan a f.j. 4. Sfefano Zonini, Huly, Mapol, s.l.; 5. Andrei Tchmill, Belgiam, Lorita, s.t.; 6. Filippo Cosagrande, Huly, Riso Scotti, s.l.; 7. Peter Van Perlagem, Nelbarlands, TVM, s.t.; 8. Milchola Bartoll, Huly, Nelbar, Vol. Barton, Bellik, Michael Bartoll, Huly, Nelbar, Nelba Emilio Averez, Sp., 7-5, 6-4; Leonder Poes, India, def. Jeff Saizenstein, U.S., 6-4, 6-3; Guillenna Conas, Arg., def. Richey Roneberg,

U.S., 7-5, 6-3.
Jonathan Start, U.S., def. Oscar Burnteza, Sp., 6-3, 6-3: MaliVol Washington, U.S., def. Juan Albert Viloca, Sp., 6-3, 6-2: Nendrift, Dreekmarm, Ger., def. Tomas Nydath, Swe., -4, 6-1, 6-4: Filip DeWulf, Belgium, def. Michael Sell, U.S., 1-6, 6-3, 6-3. Corlos Costo, Sp., def. David Wheaton, Black, Zimbabwe, 4-6. 6-4, 6-1; Dennis van Scheppingen, Neith, del. Sergi Brugueru, Sp., 3-6, 6-4. 6-3; Guillaume Raaux, Fr. del. Jirl Navok, Czech Repulic, 6-4, 7-6 (7-3).

Mirjana Lucic, Croatia, def. Mariana Diaz-Diva, Arg., 6-2, 6-9 Pavilina Stayanova, Bul-garia, def. Amy Frazier, U.S., 0-6, 6-3, 6-4, Julie Holard-Dacugla, Fr. def. Mariana Frazier, 19-2-4 Julie Halard-Decuglis, Fr. def. Magul Serna, Sp. 3-6, 7-5, 6-3; Sht-Ting Wang, 7apet, def. Froncesca Lublani. Haly, 6-4, 6-1; Tara 5nyder, U.S., def. Elena Makarova, Rus., 7-5,

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Arana Smoshnova, Isroel, def. Virginia Ru-ono-Pascual, Sp., 6-1, 6-1; Kristina Brandi, U.S., def. Casrina Mororiu, U.S., 6-3, 5-7, 6-4; Malke Babel, Ger., def. Samanina Recves, U.5. 6-3. 6-2.

SECOND ROUND

Marting Hingis (1), Switz, def. Chanda Rubin. U.S., 6-1, 6-0 Amondo Coctrer (6) S.

Africa. def. Alexia Dechaume-Balleret.
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Stunning Arizona, Utah to Meet North Carolina in NCAA Final Four

Tar Heels Dash UConn's Upset Dream, 75-64

By William Gildea

GREENSBORO, North Carolina -Antawn Jamison, potential national player of the year; led North Carolina to a fabulous finish in the National Collegiate Athletic Association East Regional tournament and a repeat trip to the Final Four

Jamison did it with a jam and a putback that sent the top-seeded and topranked Tar Heels on a 12-2 run in the final minutes Saturday and demolished a determined Connecticut's upset

With remarkably balanced help from his teammates, Jamison rose up to put down the second-seeded Huskies for good just as they had rallied to curan 11point deficit to one with 5 minutes, 37 seconds to play.

Jamison, who was voted the region's most valuable player, led North Carolina throughout the game, finishing with 20 points and 11 rebounds. But the four other Tar Heel starters also were too much for Connecticut, as they com-

bined height, speed and poise.

Ademola Okulaja contributed all 12
of his points in the second half, Ed Cota distributed nine assists and Shammond Williams added 19 points. Vince Carter had a 360-degree stuff and 12 points and

"We played a great game and beat a great team in Connecticut," said Bill Guthridge, who succeeded the retired Dean Smith and with the game Saturday set an NCAA record for victories by a first-year coach, surpassing Indiana State's Bill Hodges, who won 33 games in 1979 with Larry Bird.

The team has worked hard since the coaching change and I'm proud of the players," he added. "They certainly

The Tar Heels (34-3) will meet the champion of the West Region, Utah, in a national semifinal Saturday in San Ant-

The Huskies trailed for most of the game. In the second half they closed to within one point, which is when the Tar Heels made the final sprint that carried them to their 14th Final Four appear-

It started on a long pass, from Williams to Carter and a flip to Jamison, whose stuff set off a roar from the partisan Greensboro Coliscum crowd and rattled UConn.

The full-court play followed a missed three-point attempt by Richard Hamilton that would have given Conoccticut the lead for the first time since the middle of the first half.

Hamilton, the Big East Conference's player of the year, often was guarded by Carter and hit only 5 of 21 shots against North Carolina's big, rugged front

Following Jamison's dunk, Khalid El-Amin, the game's high scorer with 24 points, missed a line drive of a shot, which North Carolina used as a springboard to another lightning transition

Jamison made this one, too, following up a missed shot.

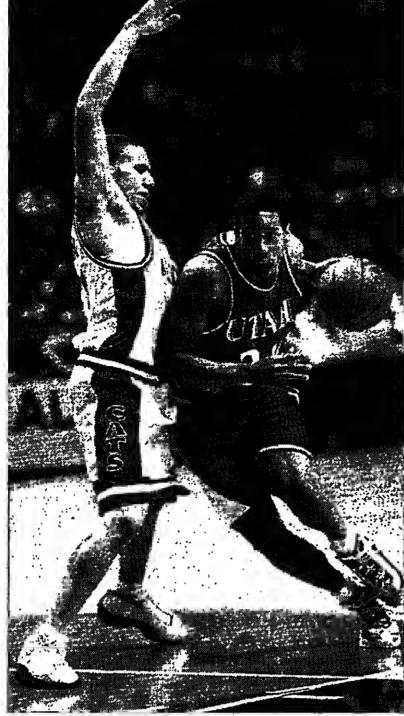
We were very excited, we were very antsy," El-Amin said of the moment when Connecticut pulled to within one

"I guess we showed our age there," he added. "We didn't execute the way Connecticut can. We rushed our offense. They went on another run and that was the key to the game."

Connecticut ended with a school-record 32 victories and five losses. The Huskies had won 11 straight, but Saturday they were playing in North Carolina's "other" home, where the

Tar Heels have won nine straight games.
"Our kids fought back four different times wheo they were down nine to 11 points and gave themselves a chance to

win under tough conditions," said Jim Calhoun, the Huskies coach. "I couldn't be prouder of what these kids did this game and this season," he



Andre Miller driving past Mike Bibby of Arizona in Utah's upset victory in Anaheim, California, which gave the Utes an NCAA Final Four berth.

Tennessee Roars Into Final **Against North Carolina**

By Jim Brady

NASHVILLE - Tennessee broke open a reasonably close game with a 10-2 run to start the second half and rolled to a 92-60 victory over Rutgers in a Mideast Regional semifinal of the women's National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball tournament.

On Monday, the top-seeded Lady Vols WOMEN'S NCAA

will take on the second seed, North Carolina, which was an 80-74 winner over No. 3 Illinois in the second game Saturday. Tennessee was led by the junior for

ward Chamique Holdsclaw, who had 25 points and 10 rebounds, and the freshman forward Tamika Catchings, who had 23 points. Scrneka Randall, a freshman guard, added 17 points and 13 rebounds. Rotgers, which shot 33 percent and committed 27 turnovers, was led by the

junior guard Tornora Young, who scored 18. The Scarlet Knights' Natasha Pointer, the Big East rookie of the year, was the recipient of much of Tennes see's defensive attention and finished with just 4 points on 2-of-10 shooting.

In the second game, the North Carolina forward Tracy Reid scored 17 of her 20 points after halftime to lead the Tar Heels back from a six-point halftime deficit. Illinois opened a 14-5 lead over the smaller but quicker Tar Heels, and fended off a few runs in taking a 38-32

halftime lead. But in the second half, the Fighting Illini were drawn into a fullcourt game and paid the price. In other games, The Associated Press

Old Dominion became the third No. 1 seed to fall when it was eliminated by fourth-seeded North Carolina State, 55-54, in the East Region's semifinals in Dayton, Ohio.

The Lady Monarchs, who reached the Final Four last year, could not overcome a seven-minute scoring drought in the second half and had no answer inside for North Carolina State's Summer Erb, who led all scorers with 17 points.

Old Dominion's loss followed apsets last weekend of the top seeds Stanford in the West and Texas Tech in the Midwest North Carolina State moved into Monday's regional final against second-seeded Connecticut, which got another big game from its center. Paige Sauer, in a 74-57 victory over Arizona.

Connecticut remained unbeaten since losing Nykesha Sales to a ruptured Achilles' tendon in the next-to-last regnlar-season game. Sauer has been especially effective during that time and came up with 23 points and 15 rebounds as UConn pulled away in the second half.

Louisiana Tech, meanwhile, beat Alabama, 71-57, in the Midwest Region in Lubbock, Texas. Tech will play Purdue on Monday Purdue came from 16 points down to beat Notre Dame, 70-65. In the West, Duke beat Florida, 71-58, and will play Arkansas, which beat Kansas, 79-63.

Utes' Stifling Zone Topples Defending Champion

By Jay Privman

ANAHEIM, California - Andre Miller walked through the corridors of the Arrowhead Pond, wearing a smile and a slightly askew baseball hat. Protrading from underneath the hat was a piece of cord, snipped only moments was 1 for 9. Michael Dickerson, having earlier from the basket at the eastern end a flashback to his poor play in the tourof the arena.

Considering what Miller, Utah's point guard, bad just done in Utah's 76-51 pasting of Arizona in the National Collegiate Athletie Associatioo West Regional final, it was amazing that cord was not

The combination of Miller's triple double 18 points, 14 rebounds

and 13 assists, all game highs — and a stifling defense that confounded Arizona propelled Utah to a lopsided upset and a trip to next week's Final Four in "Yes, I think this is the best game

I've ever played," said Miller, a Los Angeles native, who was voted the re-

Angeles native, who was voted the region's outstanding player.

Utah (29-3), the region's third-seeded team, will play North Carolina on Saturday in a national semifinal game.

Arizona (30-5) came into the game as the defending NCAA champion and the West's top-seeded team, and was fresh from three easy victories in the tournament. But the Wildcats played their worst game of the season. They shot miserably and were mable to solve

Utah'a triangle-and-two zone defense. Even their press failed to rattle the Utes. In 34 previous games this year, Arizona had never scored fewer than 70 points, and the Wildcats had scored fewer than 80 on only four occasions.

The Associated Press

Syracuse, 80-67, to move into the final

Dake, the No.1 seed in the South, beat

Elton Brand, a freshman, led the Blue Devils to victory Friday night with 20 points and 14 rebounds.

Dake was to face Kentucky, which beat UCLA in the other South region

semifinal, oo Sunday night for a place in

"This time of year, there's oo fresh-men and seniors," Brand said. "Any-

body can step up."

Brand led a 19-3 run after Duke

missed 11 of their first 13 shots in the

Ovcina's put-back with just over 12

minutes to go, but did oot score again

against Duke's tight man-to-man de-

scored 19 points, Jeff Sheppard hit for

16 from the outside and the center Nazr

Mohammed had 15 points and seven rebounds as the Wildcats easily out-

Kentucky 94, UCLA 68 Scott Padgett

Syracuse tied the game at 49 oo Elvir

the NCAA Final Four.

fense for five minutes.

second half.

Duke Crushes Syracuse

To Reach the Last Eight

"They played a great game," said Mike Bibby, the Arizona grard. "They beat us good. We knew it was going to be a tough game. They beat us every way possible."

Arizona was just 17 of 60 (28.3 per-cent) from the field. Bibby was 3 for 15 and his backcourt mate, Miles Simon, was 1 for 9. Michael Dickerson, having

nament last year, was 2 for 12. Utah used its superior size for a 49-34 advantage in rebounds.

The result marked a stunning turn for two teams expected to take different paths this year. Arizona was returning all five of its starters from last year's championship team. Utah got to the West Regional final last

year before being knocked ont by Kentucky. But the Utes lost their best player, Keith Van Horn, who is now with the New Jersey Nets in

the National Basketball Association. Rick Majerus, the portly Utah coach, scaled a ladder to rip the last piece of the net from the basket. Emotionally drained, he said after the game that he

was 'overwhelmed.''
"These guys played so hard," he

Majerus, who reached the Final Four as an assistant to Al McGuire at Marquette, said: "I don't know what to say. Igot there in 1977 as an assistant. Inever thought about this. I just rode these guys

Utah controlled the tempo of the miserably and were nnable to solve game. Arizona never got its offense rolling, and Utah used its size and strength of its front line — Michael Doleac and forwards Alex Jensen and Hanno Mottola - to its advantage.

Utah's starting front line had 41 points. Arizona's had 22. The Wildcat

"I'm just sad I can't play with these

guys any more," Bailey said. "I bave

no regrets, because everybody left everything they had on the court."

Starford 67, Purdue 59 In St Louis, Stanford finished the first half on a 17-2

run that all but put away Purdue in the

depth while breaking the school record for victories. No Cardinal team has ad-

vanced this far in the NCAA toomsment

since the 1941-42 team, which was 28-4

Stanford was to face Rhode Island oo

and won the national championship.

paraiso, a 13th seed, wore down at the

end of the game with the eighth-seeded

Antonio Reynolds-Dean scored 16 points and made three big defensive

plays down the stretch for Rhode Is-

Bryce Drew, the Valparaiso guard, scored 18 points, but uncharacteristically struggled in crunch time for Val-

Stanford got a chance to show off its

Midwest Region.

Sunday in the final.

center A.J. Bramlett fouled out trying to

They are very, very physical and strong inside," said Lute Olson, Arizona's coach. "This team is as sound a basketball team as we faced all year. They do a great job with the personnel they have and they beat you to death."

Utah also used the same defensive

setup that USC used to defeat Arizona during Pacific-10 conference play: Bibby and Simon, both all-American guards, were played man-to-man while the rest of the Utes played a zone.

"I felt after watching their game the other day and looking at the tape that we' had to visit an old friend, the triangle and two," Majerus said. "I felt if we could take Bibby out of the game, that was the key. These guys went out and

executed perfectly. Utah usually plays a man-to-man defense, and alternated defensive strategy

during the game.

Miller said the zone defense left him

"I got to rest on defense," he said with a smile. "I just stood around the top of the key. That's mainly where I got my rest during the game.

Miller's assist-to-turnover ratio of 13-3 was sublime. He broke Arizona's press with his dribbling, and his passing led to numerous scores in the low post.

Utah showed poise every time Arizona tried to raily. Arizona trailed by 29-20 at halftime and was behind by 33-25 early in the second half. But Utah scored 8 consecutive points to extend its

advantage to 41-25.
Jason Terry, who led Arizona with 16 points, nailed a 3-point shot with 11 minutes 5 seconds left to bring Arizona to within 14, at 47-33, but Utah answered on its next possession when Drew Hansen calmly sank a 3-pointer from the corner.

Arizona never got closer than 14: points the rest of the way, and trailed by

Arizona struggled from the start. The Wildcats missed their first 5 shots, made just & of 29 in the opening 20 minutes; and at one point played for 5:13 between scores. They trailed by as many as 11 points, at 28-17, in the first half.

Doleac proved an intimidating presence inside. In the opening minutes, be blocked a shot by Simoo. And late in the half, when Arizona tried to make a rtin, Doleac forced Bibby into a wild, offbalance shot that sailed over the rim while Arizona was on a fast break.



paraiso. The smallest school in the 64played UCLA's senior trio of J.R. Henteam tournament field, Valpo had upset derson, Toby Bailey and Kris Johnson, Rick Majerus, Utah's victorious the only remaining players from the Mississippi and Florida State in the first Brains' 1995 title team. coach, brandishing a piece of the net.-

Stephon Marbury, after being criticized for shooting too much and passing too little, had 15 points and 13

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assists as the Minnesota Timberwolves beat the Vancouver Grizzlies, 102-88, in Minneapolis. Marbury went 6-for-10 from the

field and sparked a key fourth-quarter

Marbury Assists Wolves and Scores, Too rally for the Wolves on Saturday, who swept the four-game season series.

Rockets 103, Mavericks 95 In Dailas, Charles Barkley had 23 points and 13 rebounds and Hakeem Olajuwon added 21 points and 12 rebounds as-Houston extended its winning streak to six games.

Sune 109, SuperSonics 102 Cliff Robinson scored 29 points and Rex Chapman added 28 as Phoenix gained its first victory this season against the

Gary Payton had 30 points, six re-bounds and five assists, but couldn't prevent Seattle (50-17) from falling into a tie with idle Chicago for the best record in the National Basketball Association.

Cavaliers 100, Clippers 79 Shawn Kemp had 27 points and 13 rebounds and Cedric Henderson added 20 points as Cleveland won in Los Angeles. Maurice Taylor scored 17 points for the Clippers.

CROSSWORD

Francis Lifts Penguins to 1,000th Victory

The Associated Press Ron Francis got his 1,000th assist in Pittsburgh's 1,000th victory and he also scored a goal as the Penguins beat visiting Philadelphia, 4-3, to end the Flyers' six-game unbeaten

"I've had a lot of special moments wearing this jersey,

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and that was certainly one of the highlights right there," Francis said after Saturday's victory. "It was just nice to get that and the big thing is we won the hockey game. Double bonus tonight." Jaromir Jagr scored a tie-breaking goal at 5:06 of the

der Coach Roger Neilson. The Penguins are 1,000-1,101-326 in 31 seasons, and are the 10th National Hockey League franchise to win

third period as the Flyers streak

ended with their first loss un-

1,000 games. Bruins 2, Sabres 1 Byron Dafoe stopped 30 shots as Boston beat Buffalo for its fourth straight victory and



Dominik Hasek also stopped 30 shots for Buffaio.

Detroit raced to a four-goal lead behind Kirk Maltby and Nicklas Lidstrom and held off a late rally by the Rangers in New York.

The loss deals a blow to New York's playoff hopes. The Rangers remained five points behind Ottawa for the eighth and final spot in the Eastern Conference.

Kings 3, Coyotes 2 Scan O'Donnell scored the go-



Penguin Ron Francis and puck from his 1,000th assist.

ahead goal with 7:19 left in the third period and fellow defenseman Rob Blake scored his 20th as Los beat visiting Angeles Phoenix.

Valeri Kamensky broke a scoreless tie in the third period and Patrick Roy had his fourth shutout of the season to lead Colorado in San Jose,

California, Tampa, Florida, Mikael Renberg had a hat trick and over visiting St. Louis.

power-play goals in handing Florida its 12th straight loss. Devils 3, Capitals 2 Dave Andreychuk scored the game-winner and New Jersey's power play recovered from a slump to score twice against visiting Washington, the NHL's top penalty-

Mighty Ducks 5, Canadia 4 Teemu Selanne scored a pair of power-play goals and added an assist to spark Anaheim in Montreal. The Canadiens, who were without four regular forwards, lost their third in a row.

Camucks 1, Maple Leafs 1 In Toronto, Alexander Mogilny scored on a breakaway 62 seconds into the third period to give Vancouver the tie io a battle of teams fighting for their playoff lives. The rookie Mike Johnson scored

Ollers 2, Blues 0 Doug Weight and Rem Murray scored and Curtis Josephstopped 20 shots as Edmonton snapped a three-game losing streak with a victory

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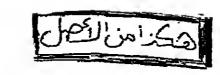
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ing Florencia Labat on Sunday.

TENNIS Martina Hingis, the No. I seed, did not drop a game as she beat Joannette Kruger of South Africa, 6-0, 6-0, Sunday in the third

round of the Lipton Championships

in Key Biscayne, Florida. Arantxa

Sanchez Vicario, seeded No. 8, had

only slightly more trouble beating

Florencia Lahat of Argentina, 6-0,

6-1. Jana Novotna, the No. 3 seed,

had to battle to beat Jana Kandarr of Germany, 6-3, 4-6, 6-3. (AFP)

CYCLING Erik Zabel won the Mi-

lan to San Remo classic for the

second successive year Saturday.

Zabel, a German who rides for

Telekom, held off two Frenchmen

---- Emmanuel Magnien of the Fran-

caises des Jeux team and Frederic

Moncassin of GAN - as an 18-

strong group sprinted for the finish of the 294-kilometer race. (Reuters)

CRICKET Clayton Lambert

struck his first test hundred Sunday

as West Indies took charge of the

sixth and final test against England

in Antigua. Lambert made 104,

Philo Wallace scored 92, and Brian

Lara lashed 89 as the West Indies

on the third day. England made 127

in its first innings.

• Mobammad Waseem held the

Pakistan innings together with a

gritty 96 not out in Harare. The

tourists reached 190 for eight in

their first innings on the second day

of the second test against Zimb-

• Sri Lanka, chasing 377 for victory, reached 120 for three in its

second innings on the fourth day of

the first test against Sonth Africa in

Cape Town. Marvan Attapattu was

On Saturday in Calentta, India

bowled out Australia for 181 to win

the second test hy a humiliating

innings and 219 runs. India leads

the three-test series 2-0. Anil

Kumhle, an Indian spin bowler, took five wickets for 62. (Reuters)

ahwe, to trail by 87 runs.

50 not out at the close.

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WORLD ROUNDUP Draw With Parma Saves Juventus Lead

Ajax and Barcelona Also Preserve Title Bids

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

Filippo Inzaghi scored one goal and set up the other Sunday as Juventus scored twice in five minutes to salvage a 2-2 draw against Parma and preserve its slim lead atop the Italian Serie A.

Alessio Tacchinardi, a substitute de-fender, slipped the rebound of an Inzaghi shot into an empty net in the 54th minnte. Inzaghi then scored the equal-

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izer on his own in the 59th minute as Juventus overcame a two-goal first-half

deficit at Parma. Mario Stanic, a midfielder, and Massimo Crippa, a defender, scored for Parma with headers late in the first half. Both goals had been set up hy the striker Enrico Chiesa. Lazio, which is second, could not break down struggling Piacenza and drew, 0-0, at home in Rome.

Juventus has drawn three straight matches, while Lazio's two-game winning streak ended.

NETHERLANDS Ajax Amsterdam scored twice in the last four minutes Sunday to win, 2-0, at NAC Breda and preserve its 12-point lead in the Dutch

Jeffrey van As, a Breda defender, was sent off in the 60th minnte after receiving his second yellow card, but his team hung on until the 86th minute, when Shota Arveladze scored. Two minutes later, Benni-McCarthy added a second goal for Ajax.

PSV Eindhoven, which is second, beat Vitesse Arnhem, 3-2, on Saturday. PSV twice trailed, hut fought back despite missing two penalties when the score was 2-2. Luc Nilis took the first and Wim Jonk the second, and both hit the crossbar. Jonk scored the winning goal in the 89th minute.

SPAIN Barcelona put one hand on the Spanish league title Sunday when it thrashed Athletic Bilbao, 4-0, to open a lead of 10 points over Real Madrid, which is in second place.

which is in second place.

Sonny Anderson scored twice and Oscar Garcia and Giovanni once each. Real Sociedad jumped to third after to fourth after losing, 4-2, in Mallorca. On Saturday, Christian Vieri scored four goals but still finished a loser as Atletico Madrid lost, 5-4, to Salamanca. Vieri appeared to have salvaged a draw for Atletico with two goals in the last nine minutes, but the Salamanca sub-

score the winner in the final seconds. FRANCE Paris St. Germain reached the French Cup semifinals with a 1-0 home victory over Monaco on Saturday.

stitute Edu Alonso slipped through to

Only the excellence of Monaco's goalkeeper, Fabien Barthez, prevented PSG from taking an early lead. Franck Dumas scored an own goal with 13 minutes left to give Paris the victory. Monaco appeared to be feeling the effects of its European Champions' Cnp quarterfinal match against Manchester United on Wednesday.

Lens beat the second-division team Caen, 2-1, with two goals by Vladimir

Smicer, who came on as a substitute early in the second half.

SCOTLAND Celtic won, 1-0, at Aberdeen to stay on top of the Scottish Premier Division on Saturday. Craig Burley scored the goal on a penalty kick after David Rowson brought down Celtic's French defender, Stephane Mahe.

Celtic remains two points ahead of Hearts, who beat Dundee United, 1-0, and five clear of Rangers, who defeated

visiting St. Johnstone, 2-1.

GEFRAANY Four Bundesliga matches were postponed Saturday because there were not enough policemen to supervise the crowds. About 30,000 policemen had been diverted to handle protests over the transportation of atomic waste.

The matches involving Dortmund, Schalke, Leverkusen and Kaiserslautern, the league leader, were all postponed because of a lack of security at stadiums near the 400-kilometer transport route.

One team that did play, and might have wished it had not, was Borussia Moenchengladbach, which lost, 2-0, at TSV 1860 Munich and slipped closer to the second division.

In the 1970s, Moenchengladbach won the German title five times and the UEFA Cup twice. On Saturday, it slipped to 17th in the 18-team Bundesliga.

TSV 1860 Munich, also struggling near the bottom of the table, took the lead when Bernd Hobsch scored just before halftime. Abderrahim Ouakili then scored a second goal in the 54th (AP, Reuters)

■ World Cup Bomb Plot Cited

A newspaper reported Sunday that seven Algerian terrorist suspects arrested in Belgium on March 3 had been linked to a plot by Islamic extremists to mount a bombing campaign at the World Cup soccer tournament in France this summer, The Associated Press reported from London. But Belgian authorities said Sunday that there was no indication that the Algerians, who were arrested in a shootout in Brussels, planned an attack on the World Cup.

Brochures about the tournament found during the raid were routine pubman, a spokes woman for the state prosecution service in Brussels.

"There is no indication whatsoever to say a World Cup attack was being planned," she said.

The Sunday Times of London re-ported that the World Cup brochures had been found along with a large quantity of liquid explosives. It added that Raymond Kendall, the British director of Interpol, who visited Algeria last week, has said the arrested Algerians appeared to be a support group supplying forged passports, weapons and money rather than an operational unit.

"Yon don't need to be a big specialist on terrorism to realize that very many people will be gathering together for the World Cup," Christian Valkeneer, the Belgian judge leading the inquiry, was quoted as saying. "It is a good opportunity for anybody who wants to attack France.'



Derrick Lee of Scotland tackling Jeremy Guscott of England as Craig Chalmers, left, closed in on Sunday.

England Rolls Over Scotland, 34-20

Wales Beats a Mistake-Prone Ireland, 30-21, as Jenkins Shines

EDINBURGH - Paul Grayson scored 19 points Sunday, including his first international try, as England over-powered Scotland, 34-20, in the Five Nations rughy union championship.

The teams were tied, 6-6, at the interval, then England scored four tries in the second half as its forwards overwhelmed the Scots. Grayson converted all four tries to go with his first-half penalty and drop goal. Scotland retali-ated with two tries in the final seconds of

It was Scotland's ninth loss in a row

England went ahead after 10 minutes when Grayson kicked a 30-yard penalty. Craig Chalmers tied the score from a similar distance four minutes later.

After Gary Armstrong and fullback Derrick Lee both got within two yards of the England line, the visitors started to make steady progress toward the Scottish posts. After several shick English moves, Grayson dropped a goal to restore England's lead in the 27th

Chalmers tied the score again with a close-range penalty five minutes before halftime, and the half finished with Scotland pressing

English forward pressure eventually created a score early in the second half. The Scots collapsed a scrum near their own line three times, and England was

awarded a penalty try. After another scrum five yards from the Scottish line. Dean Ryan, the English hack-row forward, was halted just short of the line, then the ball was fed to the backs, and Dawson dived between

the posts for a try.

The Scots tried to attack, but Alan
Tait could not gather a poor pass from Gregor Townsend, and Austin Healey, an England winger, hacked the ball ahead, picked it up just short of the line and sidestepped over to score.

Grayson scored England's best try five minutes from the end. There seemed little danger when he collected

FIVE NATION'S RUGBY

the ball 30 yards from the line. He faked a pass to the three-quarters and then darted through a gap in the Scottish defense, swerved past three defenders and charged through the gathering Scottish defense to score.

The game was into injury time when the Scots bit back with two tries.

Stanger took his total to 24 in international colors when he collected a reverse pass from the other winger, Adam Roxburgh, to score. Roxburgh then created a try for Shaun Longstaff, the fullback.

Saturday, Neil Jenkins scored 20 points. including a last-gasp try, to pilot Wales

to a 30-21 victory over Ireland.

Jenkins, who holds the Welsh record for international scoring, kicked three penalties and three conversions. His try in the 79th minnte justified his demand to play at fly half rather than fullback.

Wales, humiliated by England, 60-26. in its opening Five Nations match, recovered well to beat Scotland and Ireland.

The victory in Dublin ended a run of four successive losses to Ireland. Jenkins's haul of 20 points is the largest hy a player from either side in 76 internationals since 1910, and he now needs just six against France on April 5 to reach 600 points.

In a highly entertaining hat scrappy match, Ireland again showed passion and commitment hut lacked the imagination to break through a superb Welsh defense in the second half.

In the first half, the Welsh pack gave away a stream of penalties and had trouble with line-outs. Both of Ireland's tries came in the first 20 minutes, and both were scored by forwards, flanker Andy Ward and number eight Victor Costello.

Allan Bateman scored the first Welsb try after Ciaran Clarke, the Irish fullback, fumbled a high kick from Jenkins under pressure from center Leigh Davies. Wales took the lead early in the first half with a try hy fullback Kevin Mor- III'ac

The try unsettled the Irish, who kept giving away possession through basic mistakes. They were camped on the Welsh line for many minutes at a time, hut Wales held on.

Another penalty kick pulled the home Seeks to Revise Volumes side back to 23-21, hut Jenkins sealed the victory with a try that he then con-By Joseph Fitchett

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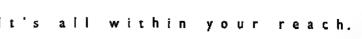
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